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FIVE MILLIONS IS ENOUGH.

Five million dollars is enough to pay for Nebraska's new capitol. The legislative act of 1919, which authorized the construction of a capitol building, specified that its cost should not exceed \$5,000,-000. It is up to Governor Bryan and the other members of the capitol commission to hold the expense within that figure.

The joint legislative investigating committee has found that at the present rate of expenditure the completed building will cost \$2,000,000 more than has been authorized. This is bad news for the taxpayers of Nebraska. At a time when everyone is trying to save, and when both parties are pledged to economy, no such raid on the public pocketbook should be permitted.

It was brought out in the hearings at Lincoln that numerous changes have been made in the plans. So far as was shown, none of these alterations was in the direction of reducing expenses. The capitol commission authorized extensions here and improvements there, increasing the size of the structure, and making it a finer and more costly building than originally had been contemplated.

If under the administration of Governor Mc-Kelvic anything crept into the designs that came too high, it should be cut out. If the present capitol commission is not willing or able to do this, it should

Mr. McKelvie has been succeeded as chairman of the board by Governor Bryan, and the new state engineer, Roy Cochran, has succeeded George E. Johnson. The appointive members of the commission, who hold over, are Walter W. Head, a banker of Omaha; W. E. Hardy, a furniture merchant of Lincoln, and W. H. Thompson, an attorney of Grand Island. The investigating committee is undeniably correct in stating that these are "men of integrity, ability, business experience and of high standing." It is well, however, that they should be warned against countenancing anything in the nature of extravagance in the carrying through of this great

set the limit at \$5,000,000. Every year since 1919 they have contributed a share of their taxes, amounting to about \$900,000, to this purpose. The law authorizes the creation of the capitol fund in six vearly installments. The last of these will fell next. yearly installments. The last of these will fall next | the farmer to market. year. When that time comes, the taxpayers should be able to breathe a sigh of relief in the from the canal, and its strongest appeal to the knowledge that their new state house was fully region it will mainly serve. All the empire west of The Omaha Bee: Just why the farmer flow along the pages." Her latest paid for, and that the cash was in the treasury and the Alleghanies will be helped by the canal, but the should publish the number of acres novel, "One of Ours, no bonds to meet.

O TOWA'S BOND PREDICAMENT.

The sovereign state of Iowa is going over the traveled two years ago. A big bond issue is being er is offering the bonds to bear 4 per cent annually, without success, but admits that he has been informed that a 5 per cent bond will find a ready market.

premium in the bond market, while a state bond, isting condition of affairs. The general plan is pects go glimmering in the ten days them. which is quite as attractive for investment purposes growing in favor, though, as the announcement of we wake up to the fact that our is untouched at 4 per cent. This is one of the anomit the western railroads will indicate, and it will have alies of finance over which ordinary people are a prominent place on the program for the next bin is worth two in the field.

of Omaha had a \$5,000,000 issue of bonds, but the legislature had to be approached for permission to raise the interest rate in order that the bonds could be sold at par. Only a part were disposed of, but these promptly went on the market to private purment today. Buyers figure that the state must can not remember the time. have the money to pay the bonus, and therefore will submit to the exaction.

into bondage for \$2,000,000, which is the difference | and its proportionally low cost. in interest rate between what he offers and what is asked. We believe that the Hawkeyes, even the soldiers who are eager for the bonus, will approve the stand of the treasurer. If the worst comes to the worst, the boys will be as glad to get an Iowa bond bearing 4 per cent as they were to take a Liberty bond at 3 1-2, and that may be the final answer.

WET, BUT, SOFTLY SO.

tree growing or a follypop island in the midst of a Nations in America? ginger beer lake. Prosaic people may have marveled at the figure, and wondered how he got that way. A sugar plum tree might be possible, and even a lollypop island, but where would a lake of ginger beer be same direction? discovered? Now comes the census report to supply the missing details.

Right here in the United States of America, in the year of Our Lord 1921, was consumed soft drinks to the amount of \$115,000,000 in value. If the average price of drinks-was 10 cents, which may be a little high, it means that 1,150,000,000 potions or bumpers or beakers, or what you may like to call them, were quaffed. If each of these contained five fluid ounces, the total was equivalent to 5,750,-000,000 ounces, which in turn is equal to 359,375,-000 pints, or nearly 44,500,000 gallons.

And this doesn't include a lot of stuff that masquerades as soft drinks, but falls outside because of its not being "mineral" or "carbonated" water, nor does it contain the natural spring water, of which much was consumed. In other words, a pretty fairsized lake of ginger beer and the like is produced and appreciatingly consumed in the United States each year.

A Senegalese soldier was found stabbed to death in a wood in the Ruhr, whereupon the French ordered the trees cut down. This is positively medieval-like a good deal of the French policy

HOME FOR HEBREW CHILDREN.

A leader in science as well as philosophy, Dr. Chaim Weizmann is a fine embodiment of that restless, unconquerable spirit that has lifted the Jew to eminence in the world through fifty centuries. His mission to Omaha is to encourage and stimulate the endeavors that are being made to relieve the distress of millions of his race, now enduring hardships, misery and persecution in central and eastern Europe.

For this great leadership Dr. Weizmann is peculiarly fitted. Not many men have had the opportunities he has been given to know and fully realize public expression. She seeks in all the aspirations of his people, and to be able to adjust those aspirations to a practical plan. The in trying to master politics?" yearning of the devout Jew for the old home in since the "Greatest Man" who ever Palestine, of which few know anything save by tra- trod the globe was born. His simple dition and the teachings that are familiar to all, is life of teaching and living true Christo be satisfied in a manner that will fully meet the requirements of all and which holds open a way to have the restoration, if not the glories of Zion, at least demonstrated beyond cavil that man the privilege of self-government and economic independence for those who now endure the disadder, true, patient and strong. He vantages of alien government and rigid repression. Was not a sickly egotist. He was

The Zionist movement has been greatly reformed d modified since Dr. Herzl brought forward his wife counsellors have the man in thought, He rejected the deand modified since Dr. Herzl brought forward his one. program of a generation ago. Wise counsellors have considered the needs of Jewry, and out of their deliberations has come a workable plan. Jews are our United States government formed. to be removed from the lands where they now strong, brave, intelligent in all ac-merely exist, and be placed in new homes in Palestine. Land is being purchased from the Arab and perform. Turkish owners, and preparations made to continue tenderness. Wants were few and the work of repatriation, begun before the war. In the carry plane and simple. All were pleased with the early ploneer days. these homes the Jews will be given aid until they have so restored the lands to make them self-sup- gatherings soon ended. The great porting. Great government industrial projects are to be installed, such as the Jordan water power and irrigation plan, and in all ways modern experience and methods will be applied to make the old land bloom anew and once more become the home of a vigordus, progressive citizenry.

Dr. Weizmann knows that this work must be almost wholly supported by American Jews. He asks has brought distress), let us hope that none of them to give up their citizenship or their splendid loyalty to America; he merely seeks to impress on them the deplorable fact that the resources of the European Jews have vanished with the utter plications. collapse of exchange. Millions that were pledged in such indiscretion without the male 1914 and subsequent thereto have evaporated since sex. 1919. Therefore, on the Jews of the New World reason together for the good of all falls that part of the work, to provide the money that is needed to carry on the program which is government. In doing so, may all once more to give the Hebrew children a dwelling look to the realities of one causation front place in the land of their fathers.

BY RAIL AND WATER.

Considerable impetus will be given the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway project by the action The Omaha Bee: Why is a bankrupt? Lakes-St. Lawrence waterway project by the action The Omaha Bee: Why is a bankrupt? others of her well known books. A deep and abiding love for Nebraska is favor the project. The managers represent the so- not the only fat plums for lawyers, characteristic of Willa Cather. "When only if the matter of the Bankers' Realty ever I cross the Missouri coming into called "granger" lines, those of the central valley investment company of Omaha, which Nebraska the very smell of the soil from whence comes the great flow of food products. has now been in the hands of a re-An intelligent self-interest is exhibited in their posi-The people have ordered a new state house, and tion, for they admit that the operation of a water- su tion, for they admit that the operation of a water-way of the sort projected will greatly relieve the railroads when the deluge of agricultural shipments

That is the chief of the benefits to be derived farms will derive the most benefit, for from them of grain, or its condition in the field, undoubtedly will come the greater bulk of the shipments that will go abroad by water.

Bringing the Atlantic ocean a thousand miles government reports or otherwise, I amount of wheat still in the hands of same road the Independent School District of Omaha nearer the fields of Nebraska sounds like something am unable to understand. These retraveled two years ago. A big bond issue is being of a feat, but it will be accomplished when the offered with no televis heavily after the damage had been done. offered with no takers, because of a difference between the state treasurer and the bond buyers as to

futh. This will mean that much shorter rail haul,

good.

farmer, especially if he is long on the
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interest largely to the speculator the rate of interest that should be paid. The treasur- the quicker transfer of the grain from the cars to the steamers, and a consequent speedier movement to selected farmers and stockmen sev- there is no other way to stop the

of the crop each year. Opposition to the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence information, much of which is merely be used against his interest, and the The State of Iowa is solvent; its credit should be as good as that of the United States of America. York and other Atlantic coast ports that will be affected are active in their efforts to preserve the expectation of the United States of America. York and other Atlantic coast ports that will be affected are active in their efforts to preserve the expectation. Have the interests of their beautiful and we have seen those proposition to the Great Lawrence intormation. Much is interest, and the estimates and really nothing definite. We who have lived long in the west know that prospects may appear wonthing their papers that have the interests of their beautiful and we have seen those before broadcasting anything their papers that have the interests of their default. And we have seen those before broadcasting anything their papers that have the interests of their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should their papers that have the interest and community at heart should the papers that have the interest and community at heart should the papers that have the interest and community at heart should the papers that have the interest and community at heart should the papers that have the interest and community at heart should the papers that have the interest and community at heart should t Two years ago the Independent School District not rest, for the great canal means relief that otherof trades send out men whose busiof trades send out men whose busi-

A survey of the field so far discloses that the ele- railroads. ments at work to split the republican party consist question: Is it in the interest of the ha Bee: Instead of a world court of mainly of those who habitually vote the democratic chasers at a premium, for they are a gilt-edged se- ticket and a few who have not supported a presicurity. The Iowa bond is in much the same predica- | dent, democrat or republican, for so long that they | queer any good.

Of course the University of Nebraska is making amount of sugar in this country, also If you can imagine yourself trying to State Treasurer Burbank says that while the people are willing to give \$22,000,000 to the soldiers of the world war, he is not willing to sell the state into bondage for \$2,000,000, which is the difference and its proportionally low cost.

> competition would eliminate some of them. But it seems the more are built, the higher goes the price.

A 15-year-old Chicago girl is now a heroine. She shot and killed a man three years after he is said to have wronged her. What is law for?

Why not require Lord Cecil to get a blue sky One of Eugene Field's poems has a sugar plum | certificate before attempting to sell the League of

> Will some kind friend please take hold of the lines and steer both houses of the legislature in the

When the railroads get behind the ship canal it looks like a go.

April is laughing at irrigation projects.

Homespun Verse

By Robert Worthington Davie

THE MISSOURI. Below time-beaten bulwarks-thy slow created own, You flow, O, treacherous river, near king of inland

Beneath the changing sky alone, and all alone, You rage, you ripple gently, you disappoint, you

You are the mausoleum mysterious and dim. Your secret crypt denying its sacredness to man: You shrink not from defiance, your gayest mood is

You rise and fall, you widen and narrow down again. You are the ghoul infernal, eternal surging Vast, The rendezvous of brooks abnormal, normal, mild-Missouri of the present, Missouri of the past, Old as the hills above you, and yet you are a child.

"The People's Voice"

A Woman Replies to Mr. Who. Superior, Neb .- To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: The writer wishes to thank The Omaha Bee for the splendid opportunity it affords for humility to enlighten Mr. Who in his query, "What business have women

tianity lasted 30 odd years. that time He taught that all men

moralized opposite.

Upon this rock of true liberty was Their wives, mothers and sweethearts were adored with utmost

red dragon belched forth in wars. pestilence, famines, pride, envy, strife began thought, woman ceased to believe all that her mate told her, mortal man no longer was a medium for woman's intelligence. She has asserted her freedom in the name of the one In-finite Intelligence. If the ballot will she retains her rightful heritage. assume that woman should bear children without her consent is prepos-To raise children without previous provisions involves com-Woman is not guilty of

mankind. Much is to be acmankind. rather than to the personified mor-MRS. HAZEL SHUCK FISHER.

Fees for Receivers

Cushing, Neb .- To the Editor of ONE OF THE SUCKERS.

Facts, Not Estimates.

Elm Creek, Neb .- To the Editor of the bin, or the number of hogs, cattle

eral times a year to be filled in with practice, or the farmer should cent of the estimate. A bushel in the

ness it is to secure this information so also do the newspapers and the This information is broadcasted far and hear, and I ask the

estimate; for instance, the government some time before the estimate April 9 on grain, made an error of

Daily Prayer

Blessed God, this day uphold us by
Thy gracious omnipotent Hand, Give whatever measure of blessing seems best in Thy sight, and if disapsintment or difficulty of any kind money in the market. awaits us, help us to brace ourselves. We are a and play the part of a man, and plethora up cause us not to forget that our sorest picion we have had. It has been apprically are offtimes blessings in dispute the parent for some time past there is guise. So may we always give thanks, guise. So may we always give thanks. something the matter with our money, being persuaded that if we love Thee, but up to the present time we had all things work together for our good.

Give us at all times hely ideals, O cious anaemia.—Philadelphia Inquirer. God, and may our daily endeavor be commensurate with them. That which is dark within us, do Thou illumine by Thy Holy Spirit, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. May we be truly penitent for our sins, and may we be strengthened with might in the inner man to do Thy blessed will. Let not this day's low descending sun be unprivileged to shine upon some small deed of kindness done, or some spoken word of Christian love. May those with whom we walk and commune along life's way take knowledge that we have been with Jesus Christ, and may this day's life and every other day which vouchsafe unto us, make us increas ingly fit for the endless and the perday through which we are to live in Thy presence.

For Christ's sake. Amen. WILLIAM E. REEDETWOLF, D. D. Chieses IV

We Nominate----For Nebraska's Hall of

Fame.



TILLA SIBERT CATHER IS NO. She grew up on the Nebraska High school and the University of Nebraska and then worked on newspapers and as a teacher in English. As the author of "One of Ours" and "My Antonia" she has attained the from the Manufacturers Record front rank. Sinclair Lewis pronounced her "Nebraska's foremost the different articles of the citizen," and H. L. Mencken declared tion of the United States." "My Antonia" the best piece of fic-tion ever done by a woman in Amer-ica. "Alexander's Bridge," "The Bo-hemian Girl," "O Pioneers" and 'Youth and the Bright Medusa" are ever I cross the Missouri coming into ceiver for about two and one-half says. At one time this urge was so years, they could not have been in strong that she almost decided to take

> the end of that time and spends the rest of the day walking, visiting, listening to music or doing housework. She writes easily and seldom tears her

The government sends out blanks should be prohibited by congress if what should be inside and confidential to give out any information that could F. M. BARNEY.

"Make Murder Unpopular."

Omaha.-To the Editor of The-Omaha Bee: Pleace accept my thanks Not only does the government seek and approval for your timely editorial

Leave It to the Editors. Omaha.-To the Editor of The Oma-

producer? Is it not primarily to the politicians, why not a congress of the terest of the speculator or the gam- world's editors? Their power is far bler? Very seldom does it do the pro-aucer any good. greater, and when great things are to be attempted why delegate them to It will be recalled that just prior to the second power. And I would sugthe sugar agitation, the government gest that instead of disarmament that officials issued a report on the a plea be made for a universal tongue. If there are too many gasoline filling stations, mpetition would eliminate some of them. But it ems the more are built the higher and the innocent public must stand lease enormous sums to a better purthe gaff. Even the government or the newspapers publishing the reports how much better the business of the are liable to make mistakes in the world could be carried on. A. E. YULE.

A Too Common Idea

Lady Astor referred to a member who opposed her prohibition bill as a "village donkey," and she seemed Let the people praise Thee, O God- distinctly feminine, Heridea of equalwith men is special privilege,-

Pernicious Absentia, Man! "There is said to be a plethora of

We are going to look that word

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B. BREWER, Gen. Mgr. V. A. BRIDGE, Cir. Mgr. Subscribed and aworn to before me this 3d day of April, 1923. W. H. QUIVEY, (Seal) Notary Public

"From State and

incestry is proved by their China, Assyria or India.'

Long ago we used to read in our history books that "America was probably originally people from Asia, by when a moral issue is put squarely way of Bering strait." We learned that, like other statements in textbooks, "by heart," but it meant little squarely before them, at least in the in our lives. The Schliemann ex-

For some strange reason the No Bars in Education's Path. ater day have stirred the whole peo-We know more about them, and in a touchstone of fitness.

hey had their great teachers, their plication they outstrip others who great artists, their polgnant every are leisurely and self-indulgent and day lives, just as we have. Not so half-hearted, they deserve to be relong ago the Indian was to us a fierce warded, not penalized for their initiaand cruel savage, nothing more. Now when Mr. Lieurance says he has "a cultural background." we believe him. It almost inclines us to give the few Indians we have left a chance to delive their own native genius and diligence. These excellent qualities velop their own native genius and art instead of imposing upon them a civilization foreign to their natures.

The processes of social exclusion and consequently almost impossible to and invidious personal distinction are

What Governor Pinchot Believes.

"It (prohibition) will add uncountable millions to the wealth of the From the Nehraska City Press.

hibition, and no decision ever taken sentenced to serve from six to ter by our people was ever more deliber- | years in the penitentiary, his money ately registered, or more clearly in and "family standing," apparen accordance with popular will." having been of little use in help "The United States is not only dry him but. But six years is not a out getting steadily drier."

people—the backbone of this com- parole law is working in Pennsy monwealth—is overwhelmingly behind vania, as it does in other states. I law enforcement. The actively bad, will be released at the end of the morally lax, the self-indulgent, and minimum term. It was murder the thoughtless are arrayed on the man did, murder just as assuredly other side. What chance have they in though he had slain his victims e long run?" another way. Confession is no

Nation"

Editorials from other newspapers.

Music From Asia.

From the Norfolk News. Thurlow Lieurance, an American omposer who by long and thorough study has made himself an authority on the music of the American Indian. is inclined to think that the connection of our red men with an oriental Their flutes, the scales on which their music is constructed, the music itself, he maintains, in Musical America, shows the influence of "oriental and Assyrian mysticism, symbolism and imagery." He finds that "the tribal rituals and customs of our most primitive Indians correspond very closely-in fact devetail exactlywith those just now being brought to light by scientific delving in the background of oriental life, whether in

cavations in Troy and Crete attracted | the slightest question about the ultiattention for a bit, but they, too, mate result.'

the oneness of life is making itself sity and sincerity of that desire.

realized. If members of any one race show

From the Manufacturers Record.

United States; will enormously in-crease the prosperity of our people; of a rich family, confessed to having and will raise the happiness and wel- run his car at high speed into fare, especially of our women and group of people waiting in a "safety children, to a new and unknown zone for the arrival of a street car

the long run?"

Thave confidence enough in the condonation of the oriented American people to believe—and no punishment, under all the circuit busides in the one can shake my conviction—that stances, does not fit the crime.

Making It Easier.



"Because they make married life shorter, my boy!"

No Bars in Education's Path.

Every boy who genuinely wants a Perhaps, for one thing, they are college education should have his ophandled in our daily papers. portunity to secure it; and the first nore human way. Be that as it may, scholastic ordeal, should be the inten-

People before the last few hundred an extraordinary zeal for a liberal ears were not all stupid heathen.

foreign to the idea of American schol arship and to any generous and broa academic idealism. To put up the "I recognize no distinction between truth because they are not of a certhe different articles of the Constitu tain ethnic group is to resist the tion of the United States." colleges are founded for those who need them most and use them best

When the drink-maddened driver had oughly discussed in advance of a decision than this very matter of pro- and locked up. The other day he was t getting steadily drier."

time for a man to serve in jail having killed three people, and if

The Spice of Life

"Sorry to hear of the gas explosion at our place, Jones. Got blown out of the ouse into the garden, I hear."
"Yes, but we were starting spring clean-g the next day in any case:"—The Pass-ng Show (London).

"Does your finances know much about

"Papa, what is a pedestrian?"
"An individual, my sop, that is always found in front of automobiles."—Le Rirs (Paris).

Caller-Is the editor in? Office Boy-No. Caller-Well, throw this poem in the asic basket.-Avgwan, Mrs. Noah—"Noah, dear, what can be the matter with the camel?" Noah—"The poor beast has both the ficar,"—Wasp.

I've just been reading about the power of the will. It's a wonderful thins." - "Indeed, yes, I, know of a will that makes seven children and 22 grandchildren behave themselves."—Dry Goods Economist (New York).

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