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"NOT LOVE BUT VANITY."

Not all the tragedy of war has to do with the this sort has just developed in Nebraska.

Doubtless, the glamour of the uniform was over their | order. acquaintance, just as it was over that of thousands of similar cases. None will deny the lure of the tures of a lodge building, a club house and a hotel. soldier's garb at a time when everything is being While designed for the use of members exclusively, done to stimulate the fervor of a nation's devotion the hospitality of the order is so well established to its fortune in war. The sequel, however, fol- that visitors who have not been crowned with antlers

unswerving in his love for the girl, and filled with the great group, and has had a long, interesting and a high ambition for his future. Back to the uni- honorable career. It has grown with the city, and versity he went to complete his law course; he | now numbers one of the largest memberships in the plunged into politics, was sent to the legislature, whole list. The building now under headway is a where he made a name for himself, and then was worthy addition to the city's list, and we congratumade an assistant attorney general. All this was late the "Bills" on their prosperity and enterprise. leading up to the climax of his great adventure, and in due season the wedding took place. This is a prelude to the tragedy.

Observing the record made by the boy, the conclusion is inevitable that the girl lacked those qualities which would sustain her under the obligations a wife must assume. She had not been reared for the part, and could not fit herself to be the helpmeet of the man she wedded. Whatever roseate hue of romance war had thrown around her hero was blown away by the "song that breathed o'er Eden," and she missed in marriage the things she thought she saw when beholding only the uniform. A few days after the wedding she returned to her home in Florida, where her husband later followed her. He has now returned to Lincoln, and asks the court to annul the marriage.

This young man has shown such strength of character as justifies the belief that he will be able to knit anew the broken threads of his life, and come out of the trial clean and strong. He will always carry a bitter memory of his disillusionment; men do not forget those things. The girl may return to a life that suits her better, one of ease, of frivolous amusement, regarding her adventure as something unpleasant, but not her fault because she will never blame herself for the wreck she has

made of a young man's hopes. Like the young wife in "The Changelings," she egarded marriage as "a love affair in good standing." The sand hills of Nebraska afford a strong contrast to a society resort in Florida, but honest, courageous hearts are not bound by geography or climate, and this young woman may sometime learn the value of what she has so carelessly sacrificed, the love of a strong, capable man.

## AUTO STEALING ON THE DECLINE.

Seventy-eight per cent of the 35,384 automobiles stølen during 1922 were recovered. In 1921 only to their owners. This is a noteworthy improvement | ule will be deranged. in the vigilance and success of pursuit. Omaha's \$19 recovered.

These figures are from records gathered by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, and may be presumed to be reliable. The year 1921 reached the peak for thefts, the total being 37,554, of which number 11,037 cars, or 29 per cent of the total, were not restored to their owners. New York, of course, heads the list for thefts, but of towns 'n Omaha group Buffalo takes first place, 1,609 thefts, and 1,418 recoveries. Kansas City is next to Buffalo, with 1,237 thefts and 1,154 recoveries.

How many of these recorded thefts actually were thefts, and how many just the result of the careless habit of young men and boys, who take cars for joyrides without the owner's permission, and abandon them when out of "gas" or when pursued by the police, the compilation of the chamber does not disclose, but the fact that in 1922 8,823 stolen cars God were not restored to owners is proof that a considerable amount of the stealing actually is stealing.

Consolation for motor car owners and for insurance companies lies in the fact that the proportion of recoveries to thefts is increasing, for, while stealing may never be brought to an end, the likelihood of ultimate loss is less and less each year. That

## should encourage owners. FOUND KLONDIKE, DIED PAUPER.

George Washington Carmack, discoverer of the Klondike, died "broke." This man who not only accumulated a considerable fortune for himself, are just beginning to seek retirement. but set in motion one of the most momentous gold rushes in all recorded history, from which millions of dollars worth of the precious metal was brought to the use of mankind, has just expired at Seattle with less than \$1,000 of assets. It is not especially worth while to follow him in the dissipation of his funds. He had a fortune, but did not know how

to make proper use of it. His career is but the repetition of the tale so Do your duty to the loved one who has shared turmoil often recorded of men who have suddenly become wealthy through some fortunate stroke. "Coal Oil Who has sifted out contentment from the morbid Johnnie" was a millionaire in his day, and ended as a station agent at a little suburb of Omaha. Horace A. W. Tabor counted at least twenty millions of Who has given consolation in the sunshine and the dollars, at a time when that was a huge fortune, and went by the way of the United States senate to an obscure grave, leaving wife and children in penury. Many other experience may be cited to

parallel these. Riches have wings, and fly away soon if not carefully guarded, and the big-hearted, generous Meeting virtue in the teachings of a conscientious Dad. men who suddenly come into possession of wealth usually fall victims to the less enterprising but more erafty, who prey constantly on such victims. Men of wealth retain their wealth because they are capable of safeguarding it, and not because they have Buy a home, you'll not regret it-don't forget it-do it any artificial advantage over other men.

### GREAT ORDER CELEBRATES ITSELF

Today the Elks of Omaha are dedicating their new home, in the ceremonies attendant upon the laying of the cornerstone. Many dignitaries and notables of the order are taking part in the exercises, which will get attention from thousands of citizens, whether members of the order or not.

The Benevolent Protective Order of Ellks is unique in many regards. Originally a group of convivial spirits, who concealed any serious purpose they might have in mind behind an outward cover of good fellowship and enjoyment, this body has grown into one of the most influential of its kind | in the world. It was but natural that its growth should be marked by a change of character, in that its constant spread brought to the fore the deeper underlying purposes of a great international brotherhood, and, while none of the intents of congenial companionship have been omitted, its benevotence and patriotic devotion have assumed the lead in its

Elks in the total aggregate almost a million carnage on the battlefield, nor in the homes dark- members, and annually disburse through definite ened by the harvest of death. Wounds that are channels around \$2,000,000 in charity or phildeeper than any inflicted by shrapnel or bayonet, anthropic undertakings. These distributions inanguish more poignant, misery more consuming, clude money for the vocational training of disabled may follow as a result of shock and disappointment veterans, relief for war victims, the maintenance growing out of the widespread influences of armed of a national home for disabled members, hospitals conflict that involves great nations. Something of and other similar enterprises. How much money is paid out by the local lodges will not be made known. A young man was caught up from his home in but it certainly mounts to as much or more than the sand hills and sent to the front with a uniform the total of the general funds. In this the memon. While serving as a soldier, he met a girl. bers are making good on the name of their beloved

The new home for Omaha will comprise the feaare frequently admitted to enjoy the privileges of The boy came home, serious in mind and heart, the home. The Omaha lodge is one of the older of

## HOME, SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

Next to the American home itself, nothing is so important as the American school, for nothing touches the home more closely in all its relations. The public school and free education it provides is an American institution, our greatest contribution to civilization. It has done more to uplift humanity than any other single agency, save the Christian religion, and it exists because it is founded on a concept born of that religion. The relation between the school and the church should be and is intimate. Nothing could be more furiously resented than an attempt to teach atheism or atheistical doctrine in the church, unless it might be an attempt to teach sectarianism.

However, in order to secure and promote the free exercise of religion, the Fathers set the church and state as far apart as possible, and this affects the school, for the business of education is conceived to be the work of the state in this country. It is not so carried on as to interfere with the establishment of private, parochial or denominational dogma or creed, or to prevent any form of religious training at home. The provision is to protect the schools from the confusion that certainly would arise were any form of sectarianism to be permitted to be taught in any under public control.

Now, if this is true, it requires little stretch of imagination to see what will happen if the regular work of the schools be interrupted in order that a portion of the pupils may be taken elsewhere to be given particular religious instruction. If a public school is to proceed on lines that will give the best service to all, it must have standards and to adhere to these standards they must rest on all pupils evenly. When certain hours of a pupil's work in pursuit of secular instruction are disturbed that he may devote them to sectarian study, he falls behind those who are not required to study religion. 71 per cent of the stolen machines were returned | Eeither they must be held back, or the class sched-

We heartily agree with the sentiment that looks record for the year was 856 machines stolen, and to the greater diffusion of religious teaching, but find it not easy to agree that this ought to be at the expense of public school training. On the other hand, it should be supplemental to secular education, and should be given in the homes. Parents ought to feel some responsibility for the moral as well as the mental training of the children. Preachers of religion, no matter of what creed, may contribute to this end by giving more care to the home circle, instilling in the minds of fathers and mothers the need for teaching the boys and girls the great spiritual truths that form the foundation of character and give stability to the lives of all men

If this training requires a doctrinal flavor, that also can be provided without disturbing the normal life of the public schools. God in the home is one of our great national needs; our faith and trust in is unwavering, we do walk by faith, but we must continue to allow each individual under heaven to select for himself the faith he cares to nourish. We should not hamper the church in any of its manifestations, and equally we should not lessen the usefulness of the schools by any experiment that tends in the direction of limiting their liberty.

The United States Steel corporation has decided to continue the twelve-hour day, thus keeping the mill hands up almost to newspaper hours.

This is alleged to be straw hat day, but overcoats

Even a few hours of sunshine did not come amiss.

# Homespun Verse

By Robert Worthington Davie

BUY A HOME.

sands of life. Who has kept you plodding onward toward an elevated

Do your duty to the children who are growing up today. Who are fashloning the future on the things you do and say.

Who may follow in your footsteps with a feeling proud and glad.

And be faithful to the promise of the glad receded year; Time is fleeting, ere you know it there'll be snow above your brow-

now!

From State and Nation"

> Editorials from other newspapers.

> > Is It Politics?

Sportsmen all over the state will take alarm at the report from Linthat Governor Bryan is trying to force the resignation of W. J. O'Brien, superintendent of the fish hatcheries at Gretna, in order to make a place on the state's payroll for one of his political lieutenants. So far the report has not been confirmed, but the governor's ultimatum to O'Brien that he must give up his private resi-dence in South Bend and move into the cottage at the hatcheries and certain other demands and requirements that have been made are sufficient to raise the suspicion that the governor is pecking at the Gretna superintendent with the hope of driving him to

is not simply the fact that Mr. O'Brien is an efficient and popular official who has held his present position with great benefit to the state hatcheries for 30 years, through successive republican and democratic administrations that will cause a feeling of indignation among the sportsmen of the state. It will be a matter of great regret if the department is to be made a political plum tree the fruit of which is to be passed around among men whose claim to recognition is service to party, rather than capabil-If earnest devotion of one's job n't to be rewarded by continuation office, what incentive is there to ve service to the state? The new opointee, if there is to be one, may into office with the knowledge that he has been selected for political reasons, he not unnaturally will devote his energy to collision of Hartley B. Alexander.

England carriers, and formidable op-position from the stronger roads is pany).

the Pennsylvania or Baltimore & Ohio lty.

through that long period congress has changed its mind and demands consolidation into a few great and so-written many reference book articles.

The writer has not been a church member as the term is applied for over 25 years and he has seen nothing and the residual converting to the second of the property of the prop

We do not know why the strong American" and one on "Latin Ameri- organizations of that character. over and carry all the weak lines set to music.

## Building Costs.

pay bonuses for the sake of having Indian day profits are very good, indeed, or they

## Daily Prayer

to Thee. Thou knowest us altogether: and supply men. But Colleran makes included by the ministers, our innermost ambitions and desires, our secret ways—"all things are naked and open unto the cyes of Him with increase wages beyond what justice than they have to adjourn the schools Whom we have to do." Thee we cannot deceive. Keep us from trying to deceive others or to deceive our selves. May we be sincere, without

Keep us from the folly and wickedness of a divided life, that is one thing
within and another without; that is profits they make. Can it be done?

Lais and contractors take steps to apply an open and frank limitation the Saturday schools, but no doubt
he would be too thick-headed to absorb much of the doctrine taught.

A. M. TEMPLIN worship, but hard and cold and selfish on the days of work and of pleasure. May we be thoughtful for those

who serve us, and faithful to those whom we serve. May our daily task be consecrated to Thee, that not only the fruit of our labor, but the toil it self of hands and heart and brain, may be used for Thy Kingdom. Make all our lives of friendship and books and rest and love and laughter and service sacred to Thee. that Thine may be the glory, thrugh Jesus Christ, our Lord and Master.

HERBERT WELCH, DD. LLD.,

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

Fame.



sons, he not unnaturally will devote his energy to politics rather than the propagation of fish.

It is to be hoved that the runers himself uncovered by his writings the himself uncovered by himself uncovered by his writings the himself uncovered by himself uncovered by his writings the himself uncovered by him It is to be hoped that the rumors himself uncovered by his writings the that are coming out of Lincoln will rich resources of Nebraska life and "Whom the heaven must receive until prove to be incorrect and that the history, but he has inspired many the time of restitution of all things."

Dr. Alexander has contributed to under the anti-trust act. Others would braska dailies, i. e., as contributor, for variously split up New England territory and divide it between the New to him that a manual trust act. Others would braska dailies, i. e., as contributor, for as the heavens above that of any man; are we believe it does, all things conritory and divide it between the New to him that a manual trust act. variously split up New England ter-ritory and divide it between the New York Central on the north and either the public opinion of his own commun-the Public opinion of his own commun-

adjustments wrought public schools); "Letters to Teachers." low

called competing groups. What was notable the series of contributions to of late years to give him any recalled competing groups. What was motable the series of contributions to more to be expected than that the stronger roads growing up out of that 30 years of practical experience under a different policy of congress should be antagonistic?

We do not know why the strong American and one on "Latin American the series of contributions to of late years to give him any regrets. There are so many things taught and practiced that are for two considerable volumes in the My thology of All Races, one on "North will hesitate to commit themselves to will hesitate to commit themselves to will hesitate to commit themselves to an any regrets.

round about them. The transportar are: "The Mid Earth Life," (1907): live. tion act, which Senator Lodge has "Odes on the Generations of Man." tion act, which Senator Lodge has called "a remarkable piece of legislation," sufficient in itself "to distinguish a congress as one of high accomplishment," makes no provision whatever to force these roads to do what whatever to force these roads to do what it is now proposed that they breaks "the state semi-centennial the common herd, to see how bewilderbe stirred up among them and with produced at the university in 1918; children. The resolution offered, the government under such condition "Pageant of Freedom," at the board practically admits that the university in 1922; "Coronado in sion. And it seems to the wr Quivera," at the university in 1922, at that it is a little late in the day Ak-Sar-Ben field, Omaha. During the lay the blame on our public school present year an Indian drama. "The

would stop work rather than pay the prices. The cost of materials is another not unimportant factor.

One Michael J. Colleran, head of the

# "The People's Voice"

## Doesn't Like Monkey Theory.

ha Bee: It is reported that a presby- to have a national law passed of simiterian minister in Ometha made this lar character. It created tremendo statement: "I do not believe that the general trend in the church is to accept Mr. Bryan's views. As I define might be adopted. The arguments the evolutionary theory, it is the only against it prevailed, however. These were that it would place a premium reasonable theory of the origin of life." Which practically means that we, human intellectual beings, originated by the process of evolution, from the unintelligent monkey. For that is the theory that W. J. Bryan is combating.

First if that be true, then God did not create man in His own image, as a distinct human being, and the story of Adam; and all references to

oklahoma undertook to try the experiment and the result has been costly. There is a deficit of about the genealogy would trace to the same source, which would contradict the Bible, for it traces his genealogy to Adam, who was created by God. This as we see it practically makes yould as we see it practically makes yould surrance man of Oklahoma undertook to try the experiment has been costly. There is a deficit of about the salvaged from failed banks and a small assessment from solvent banks. Commenting on this experience Mr. Thomas E. Braniff, a well known in surrance man of Oklahoma City, said of a husband if she thinks some Adam, who was created by God. This as we see it, practically makes void the whole history of the creation, all the prophecies, Christ's death, and the prophecies, Christ's death, and

development of the mind, physical improvement, or anything to advance condition of the human family; this would be the proper application. But when we undertake to appry that principal to the origin of life we get tains; and leaves man in a hopeless fidence in banks."

governor will recede from what looks like an unreasonable attitude.

Regrouping the Eastern Railroads.

Instory, but he has inspired many other time of restitution means, a restoration of pageants, particularly that of "Coroinado in Quivera," which was presented. Then if evolution be true, we will eventually be restored to the Interstate Commerce commission activities under the transportation act of 1920 toward new and more extended consolidations of railroads shift this week to the trunk line and New England carriers, and formidable opposition from the stronger roads is are noteworthy for their depiction of monkey condition. (With no dis-Advertised to appear.

Dr. Alexander has contributed to creator, and hold to the theory, that Various plans will come under dis- a considerable number of the leading the origin of life sprang from an inbine the New England roads into a single system, such as Charles S. Mellen worked out in great part and was broken up by the government under the anti-trust act. Others would brasks dailies is a some formation periodicals and some formation, in most fields: a little fiction, belief the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if God is anything. He is all, and His word should stand as high as the heavens about the property of the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for if the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for its life in the origin of life sprang from an infector little animal, is beyond my conception of what intelligence stands for its li

on the south. Trunk line territory In philosophy and criticism he has would in turn be variously regrouped written "Poetry and the Individual." between the New York Central, Eric. (1906), realing mainly with the philosophy. Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio. phy of art; "Liberty and Democracy," gaye us that good book as a guide to It will be a problem almost despair. (1918), composed of essays mostly live by. What a loss of energy, that complicated. Congress has written in war-time, on the character is making skeptics every day, which a powerful factor in making it of democratic institutions; (the essay if applied to the defense of the fundao. For 30 years congress was fight- on "Americanism" has been republished to the defending of Christ and His railroad consolidations, and now lished in several text books for the high aposties, great good, would follow

lines should be much disturbed over can" mythology.

I stand ready at any time to defend the present effort to make them take. A number of his lyrics have been the principle as set forth by Christ His volumes of verse and his apostles, as long as I shall id Earth Life," (1907): live. A. M. TEMPLIN.

what it is now proposed that they brasks," the state semi-centennial the common herd, to see how bewildershall do. The commission can only pageant produced in Lincoln, 1917, and propose. The roads will then do as in part given by the Omaha schools they please. Not much of a fight can in 1921; "1917; a Patriotic Masque." over the religious education of our children. The resolution offered to university in 1919; "Academe," at the have made a failure in their profes How much influence have high wages on rising building costs and how much of the rise is due to inthe Dramatic Arts club. It had their regular course of study, for half the Dramatic Arts club. It had a day each week, in order to pump creased cost of materials and in-previously been given at Santa Fe. a day each week, in order to pump creased contractors' profits? The pub-N. M. "The Mystery of Life is a into their minds certain doctrines by reased contractors' profits? The public probably has not failed to note that the direct employers of building labor, while they excoriate the workers for their demands, almost invariably knuckle to the union scale and in the Bouwerie in New York City on the sake of having ladian day. regular teachers just the same.

declares that building labor only gets teacher said so," and had she been 37 cents of every dollar spent for told the story about the flood, she building. He quotes government stat- would been just as much in earnest istics to show that in 1919 wages were about it, while some of the Minup 97 per cent, while materials were isterial union make light of the fact up 275 per cent. our eyes we would open our hearts of used by the architects, contractors along that line, and should not be

guile or hypocrisy, genuine—our lives of one piece. Ilke the seamless garment of our Lord.

tion against exorbitant wage scales if satisfaction, which would not interfere with the established rules of our ment of our Lord.

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## Experiment Ends

From the New York Commercial. Oklahoma has repealed its bank guaranty law. It has been watched for a number of years as an experiment in paternalism but has failed, just as wise economists said it would. It will be recalled that about the same time the Oklahoma experiment Omaha-To the Editor of The Oma- went into effect an attempt was made

greatest blunders, although it is to When we apply evolution to the be said to her credit that when she velopment of the mind, physical im had the courage to repeal the law. ment of federal land banks, but these The public realizes that the banks in- fortunately are hedged about with restead of being weakened by the with- strictions so that they can be made drawal of the bank guaranty fund to serve a useful purpose without diphave been relieved of a tremendous ping into the public treusury. They liability and the repeal of the law are built upon the theory that farmtically denounces the truthfulness of the Bible, and everything it con-

of wheat prices. We have already sponsibility of the individual and dis-

Abe Martin



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vided they have something to back it

now trying to crawl out. We have The government cannot properly be pending in congress a number of called upon to guarantee anything for equally fantastic schemes, such as which it is not directly responsible, the Gooding bill for the stabilization. The moment it does, it lessens the re-

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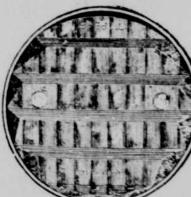
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