

The Bee Bookshelf

Daniels Extols Wilson Beyond All Other Men

Former Secretary of Navy Bestows Lavish Praise on His Former Chief.

"THE LIFE OF WOODROW WILSON," by Joseph Daniels, the John Winston company, Philadelphia and Chicago, publishers.

The late secretary of the navy set himself a most agreeable task when he undertook his biography of his dead chief. "I will seek to show what his life meant to his country and the world, and how he always played for the verdict of history," is Mr. Daniels' own declaration of intention. Whether he has realized this or whether he has shot quite beyond the mark will not be determined by this generation. It remains for readers unborn to say if Woodrow Wilson deserves all the praise so lavishly bestowed upon him by his former cabinet officer. "No man is a hero to his valet," but Mr. Daniels was not Mr. Wilson's valet—he was his devoted follower, and, one might judge from his pages, ardent worshiper.

Some other writers, equally astute and on terms of intimacy with the president quite as close as those between Wilson and Daniels, have not been so unrestrained in writing of the late president. Nor, if the experience of some of Mr. Wilson's other cabinet officers may be accepted as a criterion, are we justified in concluding that the president always made close confidantes of the men he selected to carry out his orders. When we think of Bryan, Lansing, Garrison and some others, a retort made by Colonel McClure to the late John Hay comes to mind. "The president," said McClure, referring to Abraham Lincoln, "had some secrets that even his private secretary did not know."

Making allowance for a pardonable bias, the reader will find Mr. Daniels has interestingly narrated the story of Woodrow Wilson's life from the cradle to the grave, together with some valuable information as to his descent. The gravest fault is the insistence on discovering predestination in ex post facto analysis of events. Even this might be pardoned as ascribable to the fond admiration of the author for his subject, were it not for the solemnity with which he persists in pointing out how each step or movement taken by Woodrow Wilson presaged his ultimate eminence.

The little human touches with which the book abounds, incidents of the various stages of life through which the great man passed, give the volume light and color and enhance its real interest. If Mr. Daniels had contented himself with writing of a great man, and not of a demigod, his work would have been more worthy the effort he has put upon it. As it is, it deserves and doubtless will receive attention from the millions who share with the author his estimation of Woodrow Wilson.

Law and Its Relation to Man an Interesting Topic

"THE REASONABLENESS OF THE LAW," the "Adaptability of Legal Sanctions to the Needs of Society," by Charles W. Bacon and Franklin S. Moses, with an Introduction by Prof. James A. Woodburn, G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London, publishers.

Charles W. Bacon is a member of the New York bar and author of "The American Plan of Government," Franklin S. Moses is instructor in history in the College of the City of New York City, and James A. Woodburn is research professor of American history at Indiana university. Thus it is indicated that the volume they present has authority of respectable character behind it, both for its historical and its legal phases.

Even to the practicing lawyer will be of interest to the student, whether of law or history, it will be of great service. The average man might read it with profit, for it makes very plain some things that are often found perplexing by the layman. It shows the origin and growth of law, constitutional and statutory, its developing and progressive evolution and the great part it has played in man's efforts to establish his social life on a firm foundation. Equity in its several phases also gets adequate attention. Best of all, the work is so written that it may be read and understood by those who are not profound in the law. "Sweet reasonableness" is the fundamental characteristic of the vital principle of the law, and this the authors have made clear.

"Clubfoot" Comes Back and Stirs Up Scotland Yard

"CLUBFOOT THE AVENGER," by Valentine Williams, Houghton-Mifflin company, Boston, publishers.

This is a Scotland Yard story, full of battle, murder and sudden death. "Clubfoot" is Dr. Grundt, great head of the great German secret service. He has some work to do after the war is over, such as murdering a number of Scotland Yard operatives who had upset his plans while the conflict was on. This he does in a very systematic and highly business-like manner. Major Okewood and his brother are called back in by "the chief," and between them manage to thwart some of Clubfoot's plans, but he finally gets away from them and back to Berlin, from whence he will doubtless emerge to afford another volume for those who like their mystery mysterious and their crimes gone in the raw.

Craig Kennedy Solves Our Problem of Dual Personality

"ATAVAR, THE DREAM DANCER," by Arthur R. Beeve, Harper & Brothers, New York, publishers.

In this very interesting and somewhat complicated tale, Craig Kennedy comes to the front as a psychoanalyst. Natalie Lisle is a wonder girl, with New York at her feet because she is the star dancer in the popular spectacle of "Astarte." Natalie, of the title suggests, is a throwback to the days when Stonehenge was new. Then she was a

Choral Composition of Nebraskan to Be Used at Leeds, England Classic

Uncle of Howard Hanson, Native of Wahoo, Tells of Achievements.

By EDWARD BLACK.

A feature of the 300th anniversary celebration of the Leeds (England) musical festival during the coming summer will be a choral number composed by Howard Hanson, native of Wahoo, Neb., and related to Mrs. Hannah Eckstrom and Emma and Fred Eckstrom, 2201 Lothrop street, Omaha.

Carl Eckstrom, New York City, who is here for a brief visit, related on Friday the achievements of his talented nephew.

"North and West" Praised.

The New York uncle was present last February when Hanson conducted the New York Symphony orchestra in the rendition of his own symbolic poem, "North and West." On that occasion Walter Damrosch, conductor of the orchestra, bestowed unstinted praise on the young Nebraska composer. Damrosch referred to "North and West" as one of the finest American compositions and as being truly a notable contribution to the music of this country.

The annual Leeds festival is recognized in Europe as one of the great musical events of the year. Hanson will conduct an orchestra of 250 players selected from London Symphony orchestra and the Albert Royal orchestra of London during the rendition of his own choral number. There will be a chorus of 1,000 voices. European musicians consider it a great honor to compose a number for the Leeds festival.

Symphony This Fall.

A Nordic symphony composed by Hanson, and running about one hour, will be rendered this fall by the

dancing priestess. She has a complete case of dual personality, with the sex complex fairly well developed in both. Around her move three men, who also were associated with her in the dear old Druid days. Incidental to the unwinding of it all are some discussions by the great Craig Kennedy on applied psychology, the genius art of making love, and how one can mix deodorized methyl alcohol with renatured denatured alcohol and very successfully poison another whose removal is essential to the carrying out of one's other designs, nefarious or otherwise. Also, we meet some society bootleggers, some smart stage girls, and get two trips from Broadway to the Bahamas. Mr. Reeve has not lost any of his cunning or skill of invention, and as long as he keeps Craig Kennedy up to the mark touched in "Atavar," he will have a hearing.

"Light From the East" Needed by Men Today

"THE ORIENTE LUX," (Light from the East), by Alfred H. Heston, the Stratford company, Boston, publishers.

Scottish Rite Masons of the thirty-second degree will find in this work much to interest them, as well as much that is familiar to them. In the main it consists of a series of lectures, prepared, as the author frankly admits, to lead up to the ante-room of Rosicrucianism. These deal with fundamental concepts, which the author insists must be mastered if man is to truly know himself. Mr. French believes "the awakening of thought is of more importance than the blind following of any prescribed plan, and such awakening is necessary if catastrophe in human affairs is to be averted." The object is to rouse men to think. Students will find a great deal of interest in the book.

Prattling Pepsys Made to Look Like a Real Man

"THE SOUL OF SAMUEL PEPPY," by (Samuel) Bradford, Houghton Mifflin Company.

To one who is opposed to simplified spelling, abridged dictionaries, Esperanto and the cafeteria era in general the promise of the publishers that this book "simplifies and clarifies, and makes the man's portrayal of himself (meaning Peppy), an average man; tangible, intelligible and readable" seems rather a good reason for avoiding Mr. Bradford's effort rather than a recommendation of it.

One has only to turn to Mr. Brad-



Howard Hanson

New York Philharmonic orchestra, led by Mergelberg, who will direct another orchestra this summer in Amsterdam, Holland, where the same composition will be played. Another composition by Hanson is a string quartet number to be played at the Berkshire festival during the coming summer.

This Nebraskan is now in Rome, completing his attendance at the Academy of American Arts, entrance to which was gained through the award of the Prix de Rome for American symphonic writing in a national contest. Previous to this distinction he served three years with the College of the Pacific, San Jose.

Say what you please to the contrary, but the most forgiving thing in the world is a camera.—Arkansas Democrat.

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Social Life on Farm Comes in for Attention

Problems of the Farmer and His Family Treated in First of Century New Series.

"RURAL SOCIAL PROBLEMS," by Charles Joseph Galpin, The Century company, New York, publishers.

This is the first volume of the "Century Rural Life Books," which are to deal with problems of the people who are not urban in any essential regard. The author was assistant professor of sociology in the University of Wisconsin, and is now in charge of the division of Farm Population and Rural Life in the United States of the Department of Agriculture. This connection and training at least qualifies him to deal with the big questions he discusses. He takes up one after another the outstanding problems of rural social life, and gives attention as well to some that are little known to others than rural dwellers. His optimism is his high

light, and he sees in what discourages many others the signs of better days. He also outlines the scope of other works that are to follow in the series, which promises to be a worthy contribution to the growing literature on American social life.

It is not a ponderous volume, but small; pointed, alert and brief in effect. If it is not large, neither is it vague, but intimate, concrete, immediate. Mr. Galpin knows it all comes down to people, in the end, and that what the farm has to provide the farmer—if it is to continue to feed us—is reasonably happy and well-rewarded living, with good hopes ahead to sustain hard toil.

The chapter headings are: The Frontier in Farm Life; Why Farmers Think as They Do; The Cost of Family Living; Questions that Confront the Farm Woman; Where the Farm Family Trades; Landlords and Farm Tenants; Agriculture and High Schools; Agriculture and Hospitals; Agriculture and Churches; Affording Modern Institutions; Replanning a City as a Place Not to Live In; Defense of Farming; Movements of Population to and from Farms; American Agriculture in American Art; The Coming Rural Municipality; People on Sub-Marginal Land; Sources of Hope for Rural Life.

Problems of the Worker and His Boss Here Treated

"REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT IN INDUSTRY," by James Myers, George H. Doran company, New York, publishers.

James Myers is executive secretary of the board of operatives of the Dutchess Bleachery, Inc., at Wappinger Falls, N. Y. From this vantage point he has observed the operations of plan that permits employees to sit in judgment on their own case, to be represented in the management of the business, not only in matters affecting employment in all its ramifications, but also in its relation with the commercial world. For the Dutchess Bleachery, Inc. is one of only five institutions in the United States that have made places for employees on the boards of directors.

Mr. Myers presents his case fairly, supporting his conclusions with proof drawn from his experience or his observation of the methods that are in vogue in establishments other than the one where he is employed. Without debating the merits of open shop or closed shop, he shows how a number of serious mistakes might be minimized by labor troubles, yet fall to give consideration to the workman's side of the case. The author is thoroughly sold on the idea of industrial

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Boys Who Had Real Thrills in Old Navy

"BOYHOODS OF OUR NAVY HEROES," by William O. Stevens, Harper and Brothers, New York, publishers.

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William O. Stevens, who teaches future officers at Uncle Sam's naval academy at Annapolis, tells these tales of little David Farragut, Joshua Barney, David Porter, and half a dozen others, in a way that makes most imaginary stories of sea adventures seem tame in contrast.

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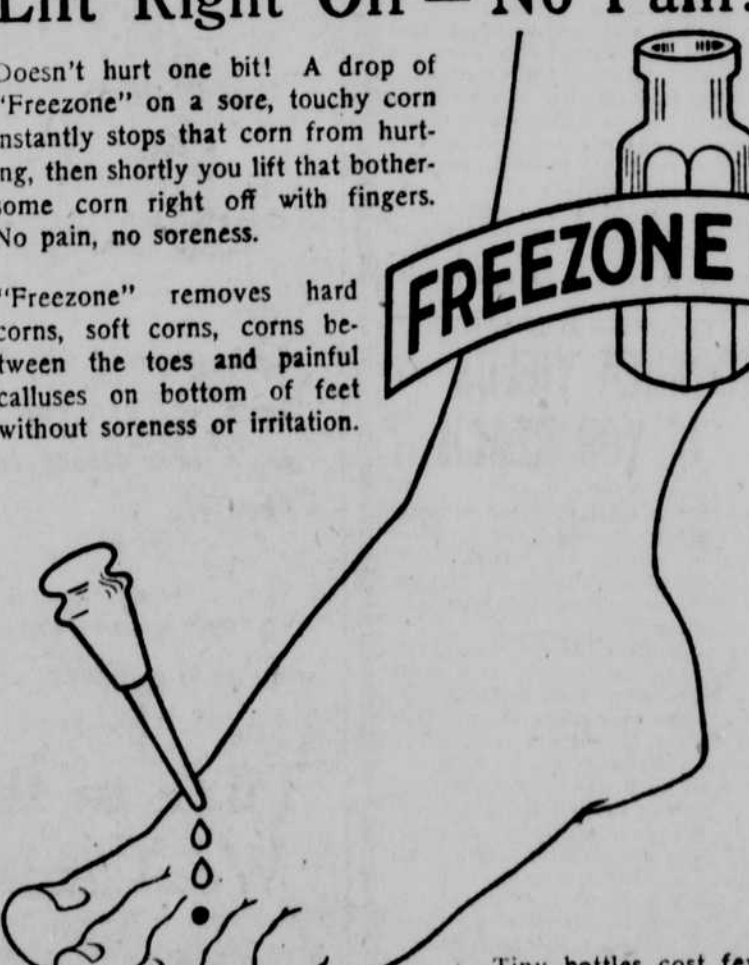
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