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THE WEATHER.

# FIELD MARSHAL SIR JOHN FRENCH QUITS THE BRITISH ARMY

Chief of Imperial Guards' General Staff Resigns Commission Because of Ulster Row

HE SIGNED THE GUARANTEE Regards Repudiation of It by Cabinet as Personal Slight.

OTHER RESIGNATIONS COMING

Adjutant General Ewart Also Expected to Retire.

ARMY WILL RENEW CONFLICT Officers of Regiments in Ireland Who Withdrew Resignations

Will This Time Resign

in Earnest. LONDON, March 26.-Field Marshal Sir John French, chief of the Imperial general staff of the British army, resigned

his commission today. The field marshau who was one of the adier General Hubert Gough giving guartees to the army officers that they would not be ordered to fight the Ulster union-Ists, regarded the repudiation of the document by the government as a slight on himself. For this reason he resigned.

in the absence of the premier, who had gone to Buckingham palace to see King George.

The reply of Mr. Lloyd George was taken generally by members as a confirmation of the report that both generals had tendered their resignations. One evening newspaper says defintely that Ewart also has resigned.

Officers Will Resign Again. It is now asserted that as soon as the government formally withdraws the guarantees given by Colonel Seely, secretary for war, the officers will again resign their commissions as one of them said, "this time in earnest."

There is also to be settled the question of what the army council will do. Brigadier General Gough, commander of view, said:

"If Premier Asquith withdraws the guarantees, he will have to throw over the army council and the government will be faced with disruption of the

The Liberal press in the provinces, papers say the premier must make it valued at \$5,000, was a total loss plain to all officers of the army and navy that they must under all circum- Two Ardent Workers

should have accepted the resignation of Colonel Seely, for he always has been suspected of being really more unionist than liberal in his sympathies. The Liverpool Post, a liberal newspaper,

says that June is given as the latest date for a general election. It intimates that as a result of the intervention of King by the unionists and the liberals under necticut should receive the rigth to vote, the terms of which the home rule bill they individually could neither vote nor and the Weish disestablishment bill shall hold office. Both married foreigners, who general election shall follow.

The only thing not absolutely settled in the agreement between the parties." says the newspaper, "was whether the plural voting bill also should be passed. The differences in regard to this latter bill are likely to be surmounted, how-

## Women of Bay State May Be Given Vote

BOSTON, March 26.-Woman suffrage won a victory here today when the house concurred with the senate in adopting a resolution which proposes an amendement to the constitution, in which the word "male" would be stricken from the provision describing the qualifications of a voter. The vote was 164 to 39.

### The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Friday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity -Unsettled; colder, Temperature at Hours.



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Excess for cor. period, 1913 Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. High-Rain-of Weather. 7p.m. est. fall. Cheyenne, pt. cloudy. ... 46 48 49 Denver, clear. ... 48 54 ... 58 Des Moines, cloudy. ... 48 54 ... 28

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Des Moines, cloudy...
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Lander, cloudy...
North Platte, clear...
Omahs, clear...
Pueblo, pt. cloudy.
Rapid City, clear...
Balt Lake City, cloudy.
Sonta Fe, pt. cloudy.
Sheridan, cloudy...
Sloux City, clear...
Valentine, pt. cloudy...

Quarter Block Burns, Causing Loss of Four Hundred Thousand.

TWO FIREMEN ARE KILLED

Three Men Trapped in Frank Hotel Jump Safely Into Life Nets Two Firemen Slightly

Injured.

SIGUX CITY, Ia., March 26.-Two firemen were killed and three injured and Opponents of Administration Use between \$300,000 and \$400,000 damage done a fire which swept the quarter block at the southeast corner of Fourth and Nebraska streets, the heart of the busiesa district, early this morning.

The losses are: Moore Clothing company, \$75,000; fully insured. Anderson Furniture company, \$75,000; insurance \$42,500. Most all of the small losses are wered by insurance.

The dead are:

FRANK FULTON, pipeman, Company SEELY LAWTON, driver for Fire Chief

The injured firemen are: Ed Rothl, captain hose company No. 3. Kenneth B. Gantt, pipeman hose com-Captain William Doyle, pipeman hose ompany No. 2.

The men were not seriously hurt. The blaze broke out in a five-story building occupied by the Anderson Furniture company. The firemen were fighting the flames from Fourth street when the signatories of the memorandum to Brig- wall fell and two of them were caught under it and killed. It was nearly two hours before the men were missed by their comrades.

Men Caught in Life Nets.

flames. They were forced to leap for the situation. their lives. They were caught in nets by the firemen and were uninjured.

one aide and on the other side of the position to take advantage of every Anderson building communicated to the tactical opportunity; the opponents drew three-story building on the corner occu- on all their resources to hamper the pled by the Moore Clothing company. leaped into life nets.

Fire at Estherville.

in the heart of the downtown section of allthe Third Cavalry brigade, in an inter- Estberville today caused a fire which Representative Kindel of Colorado spoke ness houses and entailed a loss of \$150,000, partment over the franking privilege. about half covered by insurance.

The fire started at 4 a. m. and it burned so rapidly that a three-story brick building and several smaller structures were completely destroyed.

while endorsing what Premier Asquith has already done, insists that he must go Enterprise was completely destroyed, the that, perhaps, there was a mistaken imfarther and actually withdraw the guar- loss being estimated at about \$10,000. The pression in congress as to his reason for antees given to the officers. These news- dry goods stock of L. M. Christianson, desiring the repeal. He emphasized that

# Many, liberals think Premier Asquith for Votes for Women Are Wives of Aliens

GREENWICH, Conn., March 26 .- Mrs. Ernest Thompson Seton and Mrs. Herman Pauli, suffrage leaders, after years of work for the suffrage cause have dis-Georgs an agreement has been reached covered that even if the women of Conbe passed with the understanding that a never have become naturalized American citizens

Ernest Thompson Seton, author and naturalist, has lived in this country many years, but never has made an effort to come a citizen. He was born in England. Mrs. Seton, a native of California, was married to Mr. Seton in 1896. According to law she must be considered of the same nationality as her husband. Only recently upon her return from abroad she discovered that she was nominally an alien, subject to the immigration laws and liable to a head tax.

Mrs. Herman Pauli, pho is press agent for the suffragists in this section, is a native of Colorado, and has even exercised the franchise in that state. Her marriage to Mr. Pauli, an importer of New York City, made her an alien, as Mr. Pauli never was naturalised.

## **Trinidad Business** Man Fatally Slugged

TRINIDAD, Colo., March 25 .- William office early today, unconscious from an assault supposed to have been committed last evening. He was taken to a hospital, where he was reported to be in a critical condition. His skull was fractured and

he sustained other injuries, The authorities said today that they parties in some way connected with the coal miners' strike.

Williams, last Friday, signed a statement, with other business men, indorsing the policy of Governor E. M. Ammons in sending state troops into the strike zone and urging him to keep the militia on duty.

That the assault may have been committed for the purpose of robbery was suggested by A. E. Menser, business partner of the injured man, who said he the Association of Collegiate Alumnae found that \$25 in bills which were in the cash drawer last night was taken and 22 that a nickel was found on the floor. apparently dropped by the assallants of The pockets of the injured Williams. man are declared by Messer to have been turned inside out.

# Three Killed in Auto

DALLAS, Tex., March 26.-Three perons were killed and three were seriously .00 Loving and her son were crushed to from drinking the collection. The death. Two women and a man were the gin. One, Joseph, died yesterday. The residents of Dallas

# GREAT FIRE IN SIOUX CITY RULE LIMITING DEBATE ON SIMS BILL OFFERED

Measure Obstructed in House Motions, Roll Calls and O. Agencies of Del

FILIBUSTER IS 1 3000

All Efforts to Block.

PRESIDENT RESTATES POSITION

Tells Callers South American Press with Europe.

FOREIGNERS' ATTITUDE ISSUE Executive Asserts He Is Asking No Man to Reverse His Opinion,

> but Merely to Correct a Situation.

WASHINGTON, March 26 .- A rule to limit debate on the Panama canal tolls exemption repeal bill to twenty hours was presented to the house at 4 & clock this afternoon. Adjournment was taken before a vote could be reached on the rule. The bill was obstructed in the house today by a parliamentary situation, rich in motions, roll calls, demands for a quorum and all the agencies of delay at the command of its opponents.

Just when the rules committee had agreed on an arrangement to parcel out The flames rapidly swept through the twenty hours for debate between the con-Anderson building and communicated to tending factions and the first skirmish A question was asked at the opening the Frank hotel adjoining. Occupants of the fight was about to start, a new of the House of Commons regarding the in the hotel were warned and most of atumbling block-a conference report on resignations. Mr. Lloyd George replied them escaped by the stairways. Three the urgent deficiency bill-was inserted. men in the hotel were, cut off by the A threatened filibuster on that prolonged

> Assurances for Wilson. The administration supporters, char-The flames swept through the hotel on ing at the delays, got their forces into measure.

Thrilling escape from the third floor of President Wilson, confident of the sucthe corner building, over the Moore cess of the fight, received reports of clothing store and the Central bank, was the situation at the White House, Leadmade by several men and women who era assured him a safe majority would carry the repeal.

ESTHERVILLE, Ia., March 26.-The speech by Senator Owen. Senator Lewis explosion of a lantern in a livery barn introduced resolution for equal tolls for

wiped out nearly an entire block of busi- on his controvery with the Postoffice de-

President Restates Position. The president told callers that the South American press had joined the opposition of European countries and regarded the Panama canal act as a violait was not his own opinion alone that a mistaken economic policy and a breach

tion needed correction. there was a breach of treaty, do not taken by the foreign governments and just so long as they considered that the United States was violating a promise it would be difficult to make any more treaties with them. Mr. Wilson said that congressmen were not being called on to compromise their attitude, because the necessity for a repeal was based on consideration which was not in their minds

when the original action was taken. British government would not oppose a tolls exemption if confined "exclusively" to coastwise shipping.

### Rumor of Sinking of Ship is Discredited by the Company

HONOLULU, March 26.-The Interland steamship Maui, reported to have gone explosion, reported today from Kaul by

safely, after an uneventful voyage. M Williams, 65, pioneer lumber dealer Maui, discredit the alleged statement of demanded or to go to large expense to laws and allege misclassification and and a former director of the Trinidad soldiers at Fort Kamehamena that they try the cases. Chamber of Commerce, was found in his saw the ship blow up and sink. It is believed the vessel will arrive safely at Kauaf, its destination.

quantity of explosives. When the report of the ship's destruc-

tion was received every available tug and were investigating the case on the theory that the assault was the deed of put to sea. The Maul has aboard about forty men.

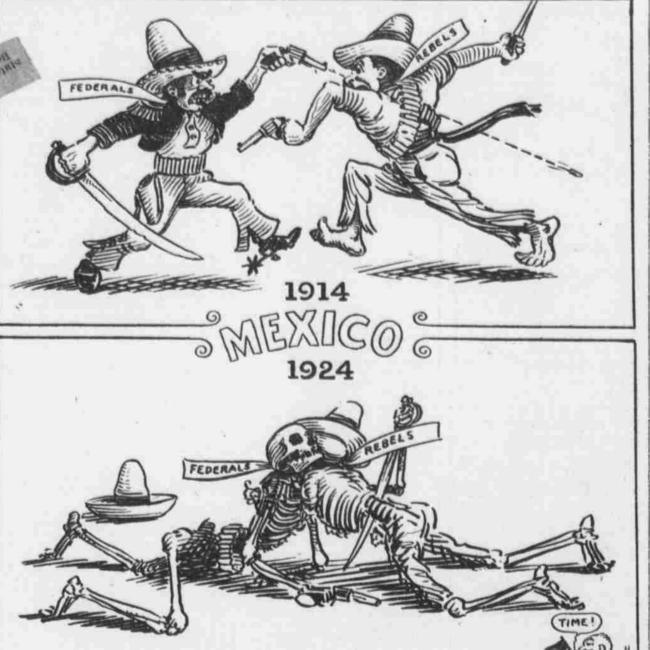
> including the crew and a number of Hawaiian laborers. FRISCO LONG ON BACHELORS.

## SHORT ON CHILDREN SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.-Next to

bachelors than any other city in the coun- said none was killed. try. A report to be made public soon by vestigating San Francisco's schools, estimates the percentage of unmarried men here between 25 and 45 years of age at 46.5. Newport's percentage is a trifle higher. The report will also say that San Francisco has a smaller number of school children than any other American city of its population.

### Wreck Near Dallas TWIN BABIES DRINK GIN WHILE PLAYING DOCTOR

## The Goal of Watchful Waiting



Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

Restraining Order Asked Against Suits in Distant Counties.

FOUR SUITS ARE STARTED Court is Asked to Stop Prosecution of Actions in Far-Away Courts -Constitutionality of Stat-

ute is Questioned. threatened with a new obstacle. Attacks ports. The resolution designates as the of treaty was involved, but it was a uni- from two angles on the law under which ships to be utilized for such service the here. versal opinion that an international situa- this industry has been built up by in- crusers Columbia and Minneapolis, and The Union Pacific, which carries the and wounded, not to mention the less of genious lawyers who secure service on the scout cruisers Salem, Chester and heaviest mails out of Omaha, under the 600 prisoners. Mr. Wilson told his callers that he was agents of the bonding companies in reasking no man to reverse his opinion, mote towns were made in district court "At present South American mails are \$1,500,000 during the fiscal year of 1913-14

realize that their own opinions are not hibit by injunction as many plaintiffs Weeks, explaining his resolution . the main point involved. The chief is- from prosecuting actions in faraway sue, he pointed out, was the attitude courts, and an answer in a suit pending here questions the constitutionality of development of our trade with South the statute. Dozens of damage suits pending in various parts of the state will dertakes a line over this route, I should be affected, it is said, by the test cases.

Call Law Unconstitutional. The statute on which Mrs. Libbie Lee based her cause of action against Fred The president denied that he had even ground that it violates the federal conseen any document alleging that the stitutional guaranty of due process of law to undertake this service." and the Nebraska constitution prohibiting special legislation.

leged resulting from the sale of liquor to which no opposition appeared. a member of her family.

The petitions in the injunction cases concede that serving on bonding com- Pineapple Juice panies' agents in foreign countles is sufficient to give the outside courts jurisdiction in the cases, but allege that such procedure is "needlessly harsh, oppressive and vexatious; is a gross misuse of legal process and is intended to cow, overswe down last night with all hands after an and intimidate plaintiffs and force them to pay large sums which they are under wireless that she had arrived there no legal or equitable obligation to pay." It is charged that the bringing of suits Representatives of the Interisland in counties hundreds of miles distant juice, on behalf of the government. The Steam Navigation company, owner of the compels liquor dealers to pay the sums actions were instituted under the revenue

One of the damage suits involved in the injunction cases was brought in Kim- has a plantation and canning plant. It is ball county, whose court is located in the The Maul left this port late yesterday, town of Kimball, which has 654 inhabicarrying a cargo, which included a large tants. Another was brought in Custer and two others in Merrick county.

# Fifteen Hurt in

FORT SMITH, Ark., March 26 .- Fifteen persons are reported injured in a head-on lission today between St. Louis & San Newport, R. L. San Francisco has more office of the railroad company it was spiracy in opium smuggling. Eleven of

## School Survey Class, which has been in- The National Capital

Thursday, March 26, 1914. The Senate.

Met at noon.

Senator Owen spoke in support of repeal of the Panama tolls exemption.

Representatives of prison contractors told the interstate commerce committee the Hughes oill to restrict the traffic in prison products was unconstitutional. The House.

## The senate began its own debate with a LOCAL INDUSTRY ENJOINED Proposal to Use War Ships to Carry Mails Indications Are Forty Per Cent More to South America

WASHINGTON, March 26,-With a view developing communication between the United States and South America, Senator Weeks, republican, of Massachusetts today introduced a resolution requesting the secretary of the navy to prepare " plan for establishing a line of naval The thriving local industry of bringing cruisers to carry passengers, freight and contingent fee damage suits in distant mail between New York, New Orleans counties against Omaha saloon keepers is and Valparaiso. Chile. and intermediate trict has been received by C. M. Beed,

Birmingham. but merely to correct a situation. He by Attorneys Sullivan and Rait, represents that those who base their opposition entirely on the question of whether bonding companies.

The federal retreat, he said, was a feint and the preliminary results of the weighter and the preliminary results of the weighter and all American mails sometimes irregular in the result on February 18 and the representation of whether bonding companies. In four suits the court is asked to pro- ing under a foreign flag," said Senator show that an increase of nearly 4) per

early assumed, militates against the of 1910. America. If, later on, private capital unbe inclined to withdraw the government

line. "We are in the position of having apent \$400,000,000 in the building of a canal, one of the reasons for doing so A. Quade and the Illinois Surety company being that it should aid in extension of is unconstitutional, it is alleged, on the our foreign trade, but as far as I know there are no American steamers prepared

Senator Weeks' proposal interested many southern and Pacific coast senators hours, or a total of nearly 200 tons of ing into positions for the attack on Tor-Mrs. Lee brought suit for damages al- and there was animated discussion in

# Importers Charged With Swindling

NEW YORK, March 36.-Two suits aggregating \$699,500 were filed in the federal court here today against the J. S. Johnson company, dealers in pineapple undervaluation of juice imported from the dutiable at 70 cents a gallon, as pineappie preserved in its own juice, which is dutiable at the lower rate of 30 per cent ad

# Wreck in Arkansas Profit in Smuggling

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 26.-As-Francisco railroad passenger train No. sistant United States Attorney Thomas southbound, and a northbound local H. Selvage estimated today that \$170,000 passenger train at Maney, sixty-five was cleaned up by the sixteen customs miles west of Fort Smith. At the local guards and others charged with conthis number are now on trial in the federal court here, five having entered pleas of guilty. Two of those that confensed their guilt testified on the witness stand yesterday that they had each made from \$2,600 to \$3,000, or even more, as their share of the smuggling profits.

# INSTRUCTION CAMP FOR

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kan., March 26.-(Special.)-A camp of instructions for medical officers of the militia of Kan-Rivers and harbors bill was hurried to sas, Oklahoma, Iowa, Nebraska and injured today when an automobile swere driving injured today when an automobile swerved from the road and plunged forty feet into a ravine. Dr. Samuel P. Tipton, driver of the car, and Mrs. Katie M. Loving and her son were crushed to death. Two women and a man were the other occupants of the car. All were other occupants of Dallas

| Arkansas, will be held here, May 17 to Leaders agreed to twenty hours' destroy of the sim bill to repeal the Pantamatation of the same tolls exemption.

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# MAILS SHOW BIG INCREASE

Handled Than in 1910. MORE MONEY FOR RAILROADS

Parcel Post Adds to the Tonnage-Government Officials Say There is No Chance to Pad the Weights.

The first tabulation of weights of the rebuls had been repulsed at all points. quadrennial weighing of mails in this dis-

terms of the weights of 1910, received cent has been made in the weight of mail

The contracts for the transportation of mails over railroad lines west of the Missouri river, which are included in the district now being weighed, amount to nearly \$18,000,000 a year and the addition of the parcel post business will likely bring the total amount well above that the city. figure for the next four years.

The heaviest run of mail for a single day over the Union Pacific lines west out asserted that for the twenty-four hours of Omaha during the present weighing preceding his taking of Gomes Palacio was on March 14, when 239,296 pounds of the battle was confined mostly to artiloutgoing mail and 55,997 pounds of incom- lery practice. Today General Villa is ing mail was handled in twenty-four quoted as saying that his men were movmail.

Big Total for Week. The total for the week ending March assault after the bombardment which the 17 showed a total of 1,087,621 pounds of rebels have in store for them. outgoing mail and 320,000 pounds of incific lines west of Omaha.

allied corporations to pad the mails,"

said Superintendent Reed. There have been many stories told about padding the mails during weighing periods, but there are really only a few isolated cases. There have been some prosecutions for this, but the difference Island of assau, where the company in the grading of the contracts, makes is not profitable for the railroad to try to alleged that since 1806 the company has pad the malls, even if they were able to been importing pineapple juice, which is do so. There is no danger of the bigger roads padding the mails, for we would detect any effort of that kind at once. Most of the stories told about padding the mails during the weighing period are fairy tales, without any real foundation. Comparative exact weights for this division are not obtainable here this year, because in 1910, at the last weighing, this Opium is Large was part of the Chicago division, and the computations of weights were not made for this district alone.

To Show Big Increase. in 1910, the weights of the western division showed an increase of 31 per cent over those of 1968, and it is estimated by officials here that the weights of 1914 will show an increase of 40 per cent over those of 1919. The payment to the railroads is based on the weight, plus the distance, or the ton mile, the rate per ton diminishing as the total weight increases. The Union Pacific receives. under the 1919 contract, approximately 5.2 cents per ton per mile for the carriage of the mails, since that total falls within the highest total weights, at the lowest rate MILITIA MEDICAL OFFICERS paid for the transportation of the mails. The contracts range from \$42.70 per mile of track on lines handling less than 200 pounds of mail daily, down to \$19.24 per ton per mile of track on lines handling more than 48,000 pounds of mail daily.

Idle Chief Convicted.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 26.-Edvard "Roughneen" Teesdale, first of the 'unemployed army" leaders arrested here on charges of vagrancy during the riots three weeks ago to face trial, was convicted by a jury. Toesdale will be sentenced temorrow.

# REPORTED DEFEAT OF VILLA CONFIRMED IN **WIRE TO MEXICO CITY**

War Office Receives Dispatch Giving Rebel Killed at Seven Hundred Men.

INSURGENTS AT BERMEJILLO

Revoltes Said to Be Retreating Twenty Miles from Torreon.

PIEDRAS NEGRAS HEARS SAME Feds at Border City Say Advices of Foes Defeat Received.

CHAO GETS CHEERFUL NEWS

onstitutionalist Chief Telegraphs He Has Gomes palacie and Will Take Torreon by Saturday.

MEXICO CITY, March 26.-Confirmation of the reported defeat of General Villa's army at Torreon by federal forces under General Velasco was given in a message receibed at the Mexican war office at noon today. The rebel losses are

placed at 700 men killed. The rebels are said to be retreating at Bermejillo, a town on the railroad twenty miles north of Torreon. At the war office it was said that the

message was sent from San Pedro de

Las Colonias, a town thirty-seben miles northeast of the battlefield, and was filed by a federal officer. It was the first dispatch to come through from the fighting zone. Receive Official Advices.

EAGLE PASS, Tex., March 26.-Federal officials at Piedras Negras, Mexico, opposite Eagle Pass, today announced they had received official advices of the defeat of General Villa's forces at Gomez Palacio, a suburb of Torreon. Notices were posted in Piedras Negras declaring General Villa had been repulsed

"with a loss of 2,000 killed and wounded"

and that the rebels were "retreating toward Escalon," 100 miles northwest of Conflicting Reports. EL PASO, Tex., March 28.-Conflicting reports today left the situation at Gomez Palacio and Torreon a matter of conjecture. General Villa telegraphed to Manuel Chao at Juarez that he had been in possession of Gomes Palacio since morning and predicted that the rebels would have Torreon not later than Saturday. On the other hand, Miguel Die-bold of President Huerta's consular serv-

ice exhibited telegrams declaring that the Diebold alleged that when at first the rebels thought they had Gomes Palacle superistendent of the rallway mall service | they were the victims of a trap as the result of which they lost heavily in dead

> Retreat a Feint. The federal retreat, he said, was a feint

General Villa's telegram, as given out "The service is slow and this, it maybe handled over that line since the weighing by General Chao, asserted that the rebe's were still maintaining a base at El Veriel, five miles from Gomes Palacio, while the railroad line between the two places was being repaired.

He added that the federals had attempted to evacuate Torreon through hills to the south, but were driven back into

Villa Confident. General Villa is said by Chao to have reon proper, and he believed the federals would be in no position to withstand an

Observers of the situation here believe coming mails handled over the Union Pa- that they have been misled so often in the last ten days by so-called official re-"The system of weighing and checking ports of both sides that neither official employed by the government during the utterance was impressive. More impormadrennial weighing of the mails makes tance was attached to the recoved emnext to impossible for the railroads or bargo which has prevented newspaper correspondents at the front from sending impartial atories of events under their observation.

## "Hit the line hard"-T. R.

It doesn't matter whether you're for or against Theodore Roosevelt. Politics has no place in these friendly talks on advertising. But it was our strenuous President who, while addressing a graduating class at one of the great universities in the East, said in effect:

"When you have something to do, a duty to perform or a line of action to pursue, don't hesitate, don't procrastinate or falter-but hit the line bard." That is sound advice.

It is quoted here to inspire those readers of The Bee who may hesitate and falter in their duty to themselves by neglecting the many opportunities and the broad field of information constantly placed before them

in The Bee's advertisements. The reading of advertisements is a duty that ought not to be neglected or slighted.

Men and women who do things worth while know what it means to "hit the line hard." They know what it means to succeed.

Fifteen minutes a day devoted to the pleasant and profitable duty of advertisement reading will make a better man or wo-man out of any reader of The