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DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 12th day of November, 1915.

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Thought for the Day. Selected by Elizabeth Ryan. You will do the greatest service to the state, if you raise, not the roofs of the houses, but the souls of the citizens.

Sofia, the fickle darling, is as eager as Berlin or Vienna for Serbian fall styles. London's method of squelching annoying newspapers proves as efficient as the Berlin system.

Credit those single-tax champions with persistence as well as with enthusiasm! They keep at it all the time. The captured "ape-man" reveals a sufficient variety of criminal accomplishments to warrant floral tributes from the sob squad.

The new elections in Greece will be held December 19. No "first-Tuesday-after-the-first-Monday" tradition over there. Measuring the returns by the investment, the personal injury industry produces dividends rivaling Ford motors, "war babies" or Standard Oil.

The principal figure in the latest scandal among state house democrats is Dr. E. Arthur Carr. That name has been heard before, and not always in very creditable connection.

The inability of the British censor to grasp two verses of the Bible in an American cabogram makes understandable his confusion when attacked with quotations from Browning and Kipling. One good turn deserves another. President Wilson manifests his appreciation of Colonel Roosevelt's services three years ago by adopting for personal use the colonel's marked copy of Ezekiel's trumpet.

Fragments of Pancho Villa's diminishing battalions are hiking across the Rio Grande whenever opportunity offers. Animated evidence of "horse sense" is a cheering development in that quarter. Note also that practically all of the hold-up men who have been caught in Omaha are outsiders who had come in from other places, and had escaped police clutches in the cities where they previously operated.

The "House of David" woman draws only a 6-cent verdict in her damage suit. But, then, she admits she drew a husband in the matrimonial lottery, which was doubtless taken into consideration by the jury. It may be taken for granted that Colonel Bryan has the unanimous support for his peace program of the local patriot who came before Omaha's charter convention and urged that our police force be reduced to six men.

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Interesting Election Figures.

While the results of the recent elections were made known ten days ago, the detailed compilation and comparisons now available are of more than ordinary interest.

The current number of The Literary Digest gives the vote on suffrage in round figures for the four states which submitted amendments this year along with the votes by which suffrage was rejected in other states that refused to adopt such amendments in the past.

Table with columns: State, Adverse Majority, Year. Lists states like New Jersey, New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, etc.

The outcome of the fight for prohibition in Ohio is also now more exactly measurable by these figures:

Table with columns: Year, Adverse Majority, For Prohibition, Total Vote. Lists years from 1914 to 1915.

Changes in Stock Market.

One of the most hopeful signs of late has been the increased demand for railroad stocks of the better sort, those of industrial establishments engaged in producing the common necessities of life as distinguished from purely speculative concerns and plants doing business of a temporary character, such as war material.

Tilting Lid on School Bonds.

The attorney general of the state has given an opinion in which he holds that the people have been mistaken in their idea that the law fixed a limit upon the issuance of bonds by school districts in cities of more than 1,500 population.

Virility of the Foreign Born.

The report of the registrar of vital statistics in New York presents some figures that will compel students of social economy to revise their estimates and opinions. It has long been a recognized fact that the birth rate in foreign-born families in this country is higher than in families of native-born, and particularly in those whose residence here covers several generations.

As to Presidential Timber.

Former Senator Burton made a fine impression while in Omaha upon democrats and republicans alike who met and heard him. Even the local democratic organ concedes that he has in him the making of a great president—and he is but one of a number of amply qualified men from among whom the next republican national convention will choose.

Fake War Movies

Literary Digest. WAR-PICTURES are even more popular in Great Britain than here in America, and the English people are now reported to be reveling in vivid war dramas which are faked on the hillside and the rolling downs of the south coast.

Popular Science Monthly tells us that clever mechanical devices, the unaided use of electricity, spring bayonets, gunpowder-blasters, and underground explosives are used in the production of these war-pictures, which are so realistic that they seem to bear the earmarks of the French and Belgian trench and the Polish battlefield. We read there as follows: "Agricultural laborers, farmers' sons, and village youths, dressed in the uniforms of the British and German armies, are drilled in their new duties and initiated into the mystic of disappearing bayonets, exploding fake shells, trench warfare, and make-believe 'gasoline'.

"As the soldiers ford a stream in their mad charge, columns of water splash high into the air. After awhile you realize that these columns are caused by dropping shells from concealed artillery. You wonder how it is that all these country 'sappers' are not maimed or even killed until you find out that the water columns are caused by electrically exploded bladders filled with gunpowder and hidden beneath the surface of the stream. As the charging 'Germans' reach the opposite bank and make straight for the 'British' machine guns, terrible explosions occur. They are the shells still 'dropping' from the British artillery. The explosions are electrically controlled by a stage director or producer, and are caused by hurrying small cans of gunpowder here and there under the ground to be run off. At the proper moment the fake mines are exploded by throwing a switch or pressing a button, thus sending clouds of earth, a cloud of smoke, and a dummy figure or two into the air. All the vivid effects of a big shell bursting on the ground are thus obtained.

"To give to the moving-picture patron an idea of the vast number of troops now in France, the producers used an ingenious leather band machine, which, in conjunction with a broad window built into the scenery wall, is all that is necessary. The spectators in the theater see women at the window waving out to the departing troops. The top of rifles with bayonets fixed over past the window and bob up and down in a never-ending stream. Beneath the window, concealed from the spectators, an operator turns a leather band passing over two fly-wheels about twelve feet apart. Attached to the top of the band are rows of bayonets. As the handle is turned the bayonets move along with the realism of a marching regiment, rifles on shoulders, fastened, as they are, to the leather band, which can be moved at any speed.

"In 'close-up' pictures of big explosions, such as bridges, forts, and the like, it is not polite for the movie men to get too close; a chance projectile may come their way. To overcome this difficulty the camera is set up in some adjacent spot and focused upon the scene of the explosion. From a safe distance the operator controls his camera by electrical wires, the result being as satisfactory as if he had been on the brink of the scene himself. So excellent are the pictures of modern 'warfare' thus obtained by producers in rural Britain that the motion-picture theater patrons cannot realize that motion picture men are not allowed near the firing line in the theaters of war and that the restrictions imposed on the producers prevent them from obtaining the real thing in France.

Twice Told Tales

The Intelligent Juror. "It is not uncommon with lawyers when addressing a jury to single out one member who appears to them to be the most intelligent, and therefore, the one most to be influenced by their appeals," said a well known jurist recently. "But it does not always work out advantageously," he continued. "All the testimony in a case recently tried in Texas had been taken, the lawyers for both sides summed up, and the judge had charged the jury, when suddenly loomed up the aforecited intelligent juror against whom both counsel had thundered their impassioned appeals. He was thirsty for information, and straightway addressed the court: 'I have been bothered a lot by two words the lawyers use here all the time. 'What are they?' demanded the court, expecting, undoubtedly, to be called upon to expound a fortiori or some other abstruse term. 'Plaintiff' and 'defendant,' said the juror. 'I don't know just what they mean.'—Lippincott's Magazine.

No Art in His

As E. J. Bowers, the theatrical manager, tells the tale, a simply garbed West Sider walked into one of the handsomest and most ornate of Fifth avenue cafes and called for a drink of straight rye. Having drunk, he counted out three nickels upon the bar and prepared to depart. 'Hold on, please,' said the gentlemanly attendant; 'the price is twenty-five.' 'What talk have you?' demanded the patron. 'Why, I can get the same brand of liquor anywhere on Tenth avenue for fifteen.' 'Probably so,' explained the barkeeper, 'but you see we don't charge for the whisky alone. We have to charge for all these decorations—for the hangings at the window, and the furnishings, and the pictures on the walls. That picture rye costs \$18.00. That's why we have to ask you a quarter for a drink, see?' 'I see,' said the West Sider, staring about him and out he went. 'The next day he returned. He entered slowly, holding one hand across his eyes. He felt his way to the bar and again laid down 15 cents. 'I ain't lookin',' he stated truthfully. 'Gimme some rye.'—Saturday Evening Post.

The Lost Umbrella.

Little things can be very trying at times, Mr. Fowler thought, when one wet morning he could not find his umbrella. Like many married men, he believed in the maxim, "When in trouble blame your wife." "I say, Ellen," he shouted, "what on earth has happened to my new umbrella? I brought it home last night and now it's gone; and, of course, it's raining furiously!" "Why, it's scarcely raining at all!" said his wife. "But last night it was simply pouring when the parson left and so I lent him your umbrella!" "What an assinine thing to do! I shall never see it again now, so I may as well buy another today!" "How can you be so wicked, Adolphus? As if the parson would stoop to stealing your umbrella!" "Stoop to stealing? It he has! I borrowed it from him a couple of months ago!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Meaning Business.

"The American girl means business." The speaker was Miss Alberta Hill, the courageous and popular New York suffragette. She went on: "She's quite right, too. I know an American girl in a blazer two weeks at the shore a pale young man in a blazer tried to monopolize her." "What is the meaning of plainness affection? he asked her one evening on the boardwalk. "It's usual meaning," she answered, "that the man who talks about it is either, too poor or too stony to get married."—Christians' Register.



How to Catch Gophers.

OMAHA, Nov. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: I see so many fine lawns ruined by gophers. The thought came to me that people do not know how to catch them. I want to tell all those interested how to rid themselves of this pest for 20 cents. Buy a common steel rat trap and fasten the chain to a block of wood. The gopher leaves a round mark just over the hole, so dig until you find the opening and make room for the trap to spring. Cover trap lightly with fine dirt; be sure to leave room under plate to spring the trap. Take a board large enough to cover the opening you have made and put a very small hole in the center of board to admit a little light. Put the board over the opening and cover all around to admit no other light except through small hole in the board. AUGUST BEERMANN. 1309 Douglas street.

Why the Wrestlers Go Elsewhere.

OMAHA, Nov. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Commissioner Dan Butler should be proud of himself for having driven the Stecher-Hussans wrestling match to Lincoln by his manipulation of the Auditorium. One would think that a municipally owned Auditorium would be used to help bring people to Omaha instead of as a club to drive them away. Lincoln gets this match because of the announcement that the rate for wrestling matches would be \$300, with a privilege of 50 per cent of the receipts. This was afterward reduced to 30 per cent, and now I understand the commissioners will make a straight rental proposition. But it is too late to give Omaha a big day of sport for Thanksgiving. When Stecher wrestled last July 4 Omaha had the biggest crowd of state visitors of any day it ever had outside of Ak-Sar-Ben. This match would have drawn more, but the business men of Lincoln were quick to see the value of the attraction, and they secured a much larger building there and gave it rent free. H. O. ADAMS.

Capital and Labor.

OAKLAND, Ia., Nov. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Perhaps there is no question confronting us of more vital importance than that of capital and labor. Capital is today found in the hands of comparatively few men. Labor is the capital, or stock in trade, of multiplied millions. The foundation of the social and business world rests largely in the hands of this latter class. The capitalist furnishes the money while the laborer performs the task that produces results.

Then human hearts are needed in the business world, with that of the employer beating in sympathy with the employe. No nation can rise above its homes, and the employer should know what kind of a home the employe is able to build on the wages paid him, using a reasonable degree of economy. There are also features of rest and proper recreation during the working hours to consider, which creates a mutual satisfaction that can come from no other source. The aesthetic side of life in home building we find in our parks, country lanes and flowers by the roadside. In the humble opinion of the writer, when our men of wealth begin to think and spend their money along the above mentioned lines there will be less need of "preparedness." Capital and labor going hand in hand will make the great United States a great example of a Christian nation, that will set the civilized world to thinking in the right channels. T. J. HILDEBRAND.

Tips on Home Topics

Pittsburgh Dispatch: Bryan views with sorrow and concern. But if the president can point with pride, what's the odds? Boston Transcript: After a year's delay Mr. Wilson ought to be content with a humble seat on the Gardner bandwagon without trying to seize the ribbons. St. Louis Republic: Although the president's quotation from Ezekiel indicates that he considers himself to be the man set to blow the trumpet, it cannot be implied that he is blowing his own horn.

Louisville Courier-Journal: There are kickers always and everywhere. You can find in the street at any time someone who is talking "hard times," mistaking individual situation for general conditions. But business now is extremely active, and "good times" are with us. Springfield Republican: Little has been heard from the new board of inventors which Secretary Daniels has mustered into the service of preparedness. Mr. Edison, however, reports a promising achievement by a fellow-inventor. It is a machine that can dig 226 feet of trench six feet deep and three feet wide in an hour. That is up to date, and if better should come to best, it ought to do first rate for irrigation.

New York Post: Ever since Mr. Bryan left the cabinet, last June, it has been believed that it was only a question of time when he would openly break with the president. He has now done so, and the issue which he has chosen does more credit to his consistency than to his political sagacity. For no one can be better aware than Mr. Bryan that, on the general question, he can get but a corporal's guard in congress to go with him and against the president.

Tabloids of Science

The descendants of a single pair of rabbits in four years amount to more than 1,200,000. English electricians have developed a thoroughly waterproof telephone cable that weighs only seven pounds to the mile. An electrically operated machine has been invented for piling lumber for storage into stacks up to a height of fifty-five feet. German railroads have found that the maintenance of electrical locomotives is more economical than operating cars fitted with individual motors. A fluid secreted by certain fish caught in Portugal is used by fishermen of that country to make their bait luminous, thereby attracting other fish at night.

Although Egypt's irrigation works cost about \$3,000,000, they have increased the land value from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 in less than two decades. Since the beginning of the war and the shutting out of the Russian article, the United States has developed a \$1,000,000 business in medicinal oils from petroleum.

SUNNY GEMS.

"I tell you it's an outrage," exclaimed the married suffragette. The man who kept a saloon across the street can vote and I can't. "That's so," answered her husband, "but he shuts up at 11 o'clock and you never do."—Boston Transcript. "What do you think of the pretty nurse who sold a kiss to aid the war fund at \$20?" "I think every woman who thinks anything of herself ought to set her face against such an act."—Baltimore American.

"One of my daughters has tonsillitis," exclaimed Mr. Growler, "and the other sprained her wrist!" "That's hard luck." "Yes. Nothing seems to work out the way it ought to. The girl who sprained her wrist sings and the one with a sore throat plays the piano."—Washington Star.

KABIBBLE KABARET. DEAR MR. KABIBBLE, AM I ENTITLED TO "PIN MONEY" EVERY WEEK? — A WIFE. YES, BUT MOST WIVES EXPECT "DIAMOND PIN MONEY"

Thinks—Young Mr. Flighigh is certainly a man of promise. "Before the war I understand Miss Butterly is suing him for fifty thousand."—Judge. "Why, Willie, dear! What are you crying so for?" "Mamma gave me a nice new auto." "And you're crying about that?" "She didn't give me no hammer to break it wif."—Browning's Magazine. The minister of a small Missouri town called the grocer on the telephone the

other day and gave him the following order: "Send a dollar's worth of meat out to my house. If there is no one at home just poke it through the keyhole."—Harper's Weekly. Brown—I should think doctors would be even more tyrannical and autocratic than they are. Smith—Why so? Brown—Because all their dealings are with people who are in no condition to fight back.—Life. "She's had a number of divorcees, hasn't she?" "Yes, she's been happily unmarried four times."—Detroit Free Press. Registration clerk (at polls)—Madam, are you married or unmarried? Suffragette—Unmarried, for the fourth time, sir.—Judge.

A ROYAL TRAGEDY.

Baltimore American. King George went out to see his troops. The which he had to brag on. To cheer them in the job on hand. To whip the German dragon. But as he rode on prancing steed In all his kingly glory, Just like the heroes you read of In poem and thrilling story. To show himself to all his troops, Not knowing he was well off. When he walked on his own two feet, The horse reared and he fell off. That was a nasty time for him, His pain he manifold hid it, Although he felt the whipler ran. From rank to rank, "George did it!" His son, young Ed, ran back to town Before the rest could worry. To tell his mother, "King Dad says 'No thing; you should worry.'" But now he's laid up from that fall, From bed not yet a riser, And not a wife of sympathy. From his dear cot, the Kaiser. Next time he goes to see his troops In state which his high rank's is, He'll ride safe in a motor car, Or prance on mare that shank's is.

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