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"Non-partisanship" is a fine horse that can be

The Macedonian cry of former years is heard

Gridiron initiates when asked the question

For once fashion fits its masculine creations

The story of a movie star demanding \$1,000,-

Absence of word to the contrary strengthens

the impression that the Du Points bear with be-

coming fortitude the shock of 1,130 per cent in-

If our lawmakers down at Lincoln can speed

January's fire record piled up a total loss of

The cunning scheme to cut out office study as

one requirement for admission, to the bar has

failed and the future great lawyer may yet tell

how he rose from office boy to head of the firm.

San Francisco have been convicted of murder.

It is a meager conclusion for a deliberately

planned slaughter of innocent people, but it ful

Nebraskans at the national capital are going

to hold a fitting celebration, March 1, of the semi-

centennial of the state's formal admission to the

union by presidential proclamation. What are

Impeachment articles against the Federal Re-

serve board largely rest on charges of alliances with "big business." As the reserve banks form

a sizeable line of big business, the board cannot do else than plead guilty and beg for mercy.

Those country papers indulging in uncompli-

mentary remarks about Omaha's subscription to

land bank stock should take it back. Let them

observe that the stock subscriptions for Omaha

head the list of the twelve banks and equal nearly

Our amiable democratic contemporary, the per-

sonal organ of the senator, learnedly discusses

the question of literacy as a fitness test for im-

migrants. When the literacy test was passed

over the president's veto the senator was re-

we going to do about it out here?

tills the limit of the law.

one-fourth of the total.

corded as "not voting!"

Two of the leaders in the bomb massacre at

\$36,400,000, by far the highest score for the month

in three years. Safeguards against fire wobble

grievously when the mercury flirts with zero.

up to a finish in the less than sixty days al-

lowed them, they will encounter no protest ex-

cept from the per diem supernumeraries.

crease in last year's munition business.

000 for a year's work lacks the essential thriller.

The brand of nerve tonic used is omitted from the

to condition of service. The new "trench coat"

peculiarly becomes the task of digging for a

"Who is the vice president?" answered, "I don't

know." Neither does anyone else!

no more. Macedonia is too busy platting grave

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## THE BEE: OMAHA, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1917.

### Imagination Versus Facts.

THE OMAHA BEE The market price of silver has made another spurt, but the quotation for an ounce of silver is still less than half that for a bushel of wheat Remember how a certain statesman used to tell us that an ounce of silver and a bushel of wheat always exchange as equal value?" **Omaha** Bee Entered at Omaha postoffice as second-class matter.

Omaha Bee. No; we do not remember any such states-man, nor do we remember any such assertion. Neither does the editor of the esteemed Omaha Bee. The trouble with some people who try to quote history is that they rely too much upon their imagination. The great trouble with some people who try to discuss finance is that they cell too much upon the same source for they rely too much upon the same source for their facts.-York Democrat. The trouble with some other people who try

to quote history is that their memories are either short or they seek to impose upon the shortness of other people's memories. In this case, the assertion of the equal value of an ounce of silver and a bushel of wheat was the common reliance of sixteen-to-oners during the campaign of 1896. It was sometimes referred to as the "India wheat argument." We have not time to go through again the accumulation of documents left over from the free silver campaign, but find at hap hazard in Mr. Bryan's "First Battle" (Page 240) the doctrine explicitly stated in a speech by Senator Newlands there quoted approvingly by Mr Bryan in which he says:

The Indian wheat-grower receives today, The indian wheat-grower receives today, just as he did twenty years ago, an onnce of silver for a bushel of wheat; he sells it for that price to the Liverpool importer who also offers to the American wheat-grower an ounce of silver which, formerly worth \$1.20 in gold, is worth today only 65 cents. That puts it, in brief, as repeated over and

over on the rostrum, in the campaign literature and in the newspapers, that the price of the wheat was fixed in India, not by demand and supply, but by the traditional exchange of an ounce for bushel and that the price of wheat in India governed the world price and held American grown wheat to the same basis of value. The assertion in question we freely admit, is not now after twenty years of disproof a very live issue, but the editor of the esteemed York Democrat must not be allowed to deny the facts of history and get away with it.

### Expansion of the Dry Belt.

Prohibition is moving forward by leaps and bounds. The record of progress last year, great as it was, falls far short of the speed indications of 1917. In every direction the movement is forward-the drys to a "bone dry" condition and the wets retreating under the pressure.

Twenty-six states comprised the dry roster when the year opened. Indiana and Utah have already joined the number, statutory prohibition having been enacted in each state. The question of wet or dry goes to a vote of the people in Wyoming. Minnesota's legislature is certain to submit a constitutional amendment on the subject, and similar procedure is indicated in Illinois. In Missouri there is no doubt the issue is to be pressed to a third test next year unless the legislature enacts a law tightening the lid. Alaska is bone dry by congressional enactment, and the District of Columbia is so close to the dry belt that nothing less than the rush of business at the close of congress will save it for a time. That congress feels the pressure is evident by action on these measures, supplemented by the sweep ing prohibition riders on the postoffice bill and the committee report on the submission of a constitutional amendment. From every point of view the situation is extremely heartening for the drys and correspondingly dark for the wets

# Fashion and the H. C. L.

The fabled guest of Diogenes for an honest man proved no less a failure than the present search for the root cause of the high cost of living. Earnest and devoted men and women, singly and in groups, assailed the problem from every angle. State and federal authorities instituted open and still hunts. Consumers' leagues and household leagues pursued the villain hither and thither. Each and all arrived at a common destination without reducing the cost in the slightest degree. Failure is not due to lack of zeal, intelligence or searchful power. It springs from striking a blind trail at the outset and getting nowhere. The real cause of high living has been tracked to its lair in a direction gen erally ignored, and the honor of discovery belongs to Miss Jane M. Newcomb, a research

teacher in the Pennsylvania State college. Miss Newcomb asserts that fashion makers

# The High Cost of Inheriting

Literary Digest.

A writer in the New York Times-Annalist has looked into the state laws affecting taxes on in-heritances, into the existing federal tax and into the proposed new federal tax and has applied his data to a consideration of the question, What would be the cost of directly inheriting \$10,000, 000 in each of thirty-two states which he names! Taxes on inheritances were already high in forty states when a federal income tax was first imposed. In all of these states, except California, the tax was doubled by the federal tax, while the proposed increase will make the amount collected by the federal government 50 per cent greater than it now is. The proposed new law has been made part of an emergency revenue bill endorsed by the democrats in caucus of the house and now before congress.

Following is a table which the Annalist writer compiled to show what in thirty-two states would be the tax on \$10,000,000 under the existing state it would be with the proposed new what federal law in force:

State Tax. State and Fed. Amount. Pct. \$ 99,950 0.99 782,810 7.82 State. Amount. \$1,361,450 2,044,310 2,710,650 Pct 13.60 15.32 27.10 Arizona Arkansas California 1,449,150 14.49 1.99 3.86 0.99 2.96 1.98 2.96 1.99 1,461,500 1,621,500 1,361,450 1,558,085 14.60 16.47 13.60 15.57 Colorado 199,790 386,900 Connecticut Georgia .... Idaho .... Illinois .... 99,950 296,585 198,800 296,325 199,800 1,460,300 14.59 15.57 14.61 14.60 Indiana .... Louisiana ... 1,461,300 Maine ..... 1.99 3.86 0.99 199,150 460.650 386,600 99,980 1,648,1001,361,48016.48 13.61 15.60 Mass. Michigan 298,725 1.560.225 Minnesota 2.98 Montana Nebraska 99,925 99,900 0.99 0.99 4.92 .361.425 13.61 1,360,300 1,754,250 492,750 Nevada New York . New Jersey N. Carolina N. Dakota . 3.96 2.96 0.74 396,550 1.658.050 296,450 74,985 557.950 1,336,485 13.36 294,650 2.94 3.99 0.99 Oklahoma 399,600 1.661.100 16.61 99,950 336,500 1,361,450 1,598,000 13.61 15.98 15.60 hode Isl'nd 3.36 2.98 S. Dakota. 298,725 124,900 1,560,225 13.86 17.60 16.48 13.61 15.58 Tennessee . Utah ..... Virginia ... 1.24 4.98 3.86 0.99 1,386,400 1,760,400 1,648,350 1,361,400 1,558,025 498,900 386,850 Washington 99,900 296,525 W. Virginia 296,525 2.96 Wisconsin . 296,605 2.96 Wyoming .. 199,500 1.99 Average tax, 305,865 3.05 1,568,105 1,461,000 1,461,000 15.68 14.61 15.41

The writer of the article discusses the matter

The writer of the article discusses the matter further in some detail. Inasmuch as the states differ greatly in the amount of tax imposed, he selects first one of the states imposing the lowest amount of tax, Arizona: "Mr. Anyone, ir., by the death of Mr. Anyone, sr., falls heir to an estate of \$10,000,000. Being a direct heir, Mr. Anyone, jr., gets off with the maximum of exemption and the minimum rate of taxation under the inheritance tax laws of most of the states, but his direct heirship in no way lessens the weight upon him of the federal tax on estates. Arizona would be a good state to die in from the point of view of the man with \$10,-000,000 to bequeath provided that his millions fell entirely within the jurisdiction of the state and provided also that they were left in toto to Mr. Anyone, jr. Under Arizona's inheritance tax law, in that case, the state would take for itself only \$99,950 of Mr. Anyone's estate. With the federal tax of \$841,000 (figured at the present le-gal rate) added to the state rate Mr. Anyone's estate would pay total inheritance and estate taxes amounting to \$940,5000. Under the increased fed-eral rate proposed by Mr. Kitchin's committee, however, Mr. Anyone's death taxes would mount up to \$1,361,450, or 13,60 per cent of his estate. "Arizona, however, is not in a class by itself.

"Arizona, however, is not in a class by itself. Mr. Anyone's heirs would fare as well in Montana or Georgia or Michigan or Nebraska or Oregon or Mr. Anyone's heirs would have as well in Montana or Georgia or Michigan or Nebraska or Oregon or Washington, which states and the federal govern-ment, under the proposed increase in estate taxes, would charge him only \$1,361,000 or so and per-mit Mr. Anyone, jr., to take the balance of about \$8,738,000. This cost could be even scaled down in the case of an estate probated in North Caro-lina and left to an heir within that state's jurisdic-tion. Neath Caroling's rate of use the proceeding in the case of an estate probated in North Caro-lina Meth Caroling's rate of use the proceeding of the proceeding the proceeding of the proceedi tion. North Carolina's rate, plus the proposed is creased federal tax, would be only \$1,336,485, 13.36 per cent. ed in

"Assume, however, that Mr. Anyone, sr., died in California, which state since Oklahoma remod-eled the law which practically would have con-fiscated an estate of this size, represents the ex-treme in taxation of inheritances. Under the Cali-fornia law Mr. Anyone, jr., if he happens to be a minor, is exempt from taxation on the first \$24,-000 of his inheritance, but from that sum upward the tax applies progressively, with the result that the tax applies progressively, with the result that the state's share in his fortune amounts to \$1,449, 150, or 14.49 per cent. This is the rate of progres-sion: Tax Pet.



A good voice requires that the whole body should be healthy and whatever we do to improve condition of our nose, teeth, throat, lungs, digestion and circulation will help to improve the possibilities of our voice.

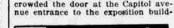
One Year Ago Today in the War.

One Year Ago Today in the War. Germans repelled British assault southwest of Ypres. Russians beaten in Persia, accord-ing to Constantinople. Eight hundred Austrian soldiers killed or wounded in raid by Italian aeropianes on city of Laibach. Lansing informed Austrian charge that United States stood firmly for right of merchant vessels to carry guns for defense.

In Omaha Thirty Years Ago.

At a meeting of the Board of Edu cation Messrs. Coburn, Long and Liv esey were appointed a committee to see upon what terms a school site could be secured in Kountze's new addition west of Sixteenth and north of Lake. Miss Katle Powers and Miss Berthu

Birkett have been appointed to the position of teachers in the city schools All night a row of messenger boys crowded the door at the Capitol ave-nue entrance to the exposition build-





ing, holding their respective places for parties who wished to get first choice of seats for the Patti concert when they were placed on sale. Linahan, the base bail machinest of the Union Pacific shops, is promoting the formation of an amateur base ball league

league. The officers and executive committee of the Nebraska Humane society met at the office of General J. E. Smith to consider applications made for the

position of agent of the society. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hardy, 1208 Dodge, are mourning the death their infant daughter, Mary.

their infant daughter, Mary. Fremont Benjamin of Avoca, Ia., is visiting in Omaha and Council Bluffs. Mrs. John Hammer slipped on an icy spot in her yard and in the fall broke her wrist.

This Day in History.

1817—Birth of King William III of Holland, father of the present queen. Died November 23, 1890. 1864-Second confederate congress

met at Richmond. 1868—General Flores, president of

1865—General Flores, president of Uruguay, assassinated. 1875—Phonograph patented by Thomas A. Edison. 1890—Joseph G. Biggar, Irish home rule leader and known as the "in-ventor of modern parliamentary ob-struction," died in England. Born at Belfast in 1828. 1902—President Roosevelt refused to reopen the Sampson-Schley contro-versy.

versy. 1903-The joint note of the Euro-pean powers regarding Macedonian reforms was delivered to the Turkish povernment.

### The Day We Celebrate.

The Day We Celebrate. Myron L. Learned is celebrating his fifty-first birthday. He is a native of Vermont and studied in Boston law school. He was associated in a law firm with John L. Kennedy from 1888 to 1967, since which time he has been practicing on his own accoult. William F. Wappich was born Feb-ruary 19, 1860, at Keokuk, In. He be-gan his residence in Omaha on his twenty-seventh birthday and has been here continuously since, with a brief

here continuously since, with a brief intermission. Ak-Sar-Ben would have a hard time to put up an initiation out him.

without him. H. J. Day was born right here in Omaha just thirty years ago today. The rubber market is of great interest to him. as he is associated with the John Day Rubber and Supply com-

John Day Rubber and Supply com-pany here. E. W. Dooley started life in New Brunswick, N. J., thirty-seven years ago today. He was for some time manager of the Woolworth store here, but has recently been promoted to Chicago.

Chicago. Adelina Patti (Baroness Cedar-strom), for many years the world's greatest singer, born in Madrid seven-ty-four years ago today. General Alvaro Obregon, minister of war in Mexico, born in the state of Sonora thirty-seven years ago today.



Ambulance Corps Volunteers.

New York, Feb. 15 .-- To the Editor of The Bee: I am permitted to send you the enclosed very human letter from the front (letter exceeds our from the front (letter exceeds our space limit) written by one of the first rate Americans who are serving with the Harjes-Norton volunteer ambui-ance sections, which are under the American Red Cross. If you like to state that anybody who wants to join the volunteer ambulance service in France should apply to me, we shall be glad. ELIOT NORTON.

MY HUSBAND SCOLDS ME IN Why Quibble About Consistency? Why Quinne About Consistency. Omaha, Feb. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: In a recent World-Herald there apeared an editorial on "The Clamor for War." It appears that Dr. Lyman Abbott, President Hibben of Princeton and certain other "mili-tarists" put a paid advertisement in the New York papers last Monday, in which they stated, among other things. HIS SLEEP- WHAT SHALL I DO ? which they stated, among other things, that "It is no longer a question of whether there shall be war with Germany. There is war with Germany." The Herald editor can not find words harsh enough to express his opinion of these men and of their wicked attempt

Mrs. Gibble-How many fresh eggs do you use in making your poverty pudding? Mrs. Gabble-The recipe calls for nine, but since use formed the Economy league 1 cut it down to sight.-Judge. these men and of their wicked attempt to bully the president and congress. Strangely enough the Herald did not say a word last week when Amos Pinchot and certain other pacifists put paid advertisements in papers all over the country, hinting that Mr. Wilson was no longer to be trusted and bid-ding all men to write to their con-gressmen and urge them to desert the president. Appended to this advertise-ment was a lop-eared "voting blank," cuuningly worded so that no matter whether a man voted "yes" or "no" he was voting against Mr. Wilson and for the German kalser.

"Yer not workin', Dinny? Are yez out of a job?" "Shure, the boss discharged me yisterday an' Ol got mad an' quit." "Aw, go onl' Yer too sincitive!"-Boston Transcript.

TICKLISH TRIFLES.

"I'll get a terribin scolding for coming

home so late." "You don't know how to manage a wife-Do something to district her attention." "What can I don't "T generally leave the currer of a 15 bill pitching out of my vost pocket."-Louisville Courise-Journal.

to Paim Beach. I wouder it there'll he ecough going on to suit him. Incle Elsen-Well, Eph ain't taking any chances. He's took his checker-board alons--Life. Uncle Exra-So Epit Hoskins has gone to Palm Beach. I wonder if there'll he

"There is one thing in a lawyer's pro-smion which is different from any other"' "What is that?" "The longer he is at it the more he has a brief career."-Baltimore American.

- MRS. BLIVITZ

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DEAR MR. KABIBBLE,

"Have you taken any chance in a lottery ince we were married," dear?" asked the since we were married, dear?" asked the sweet young thing. "No: that was the last one." was the cold reply of the husband.-Yonkers States-

"Now this stock fell forty points last Octo-ber, junned aixty-two notches in Novem-ber, and fell eighty points in December What's it going to do next." "Gosh, I been used to playing the races J dunne how to figure on past performances like that."-Washington Star.

for the German kalser. In every crisis we have had with Germany the Herald has acted in ex-In every crisis we have had with Germany the Herald has acted in ex-actly this way. First it prints a rous-ing editorial on standing back of the president and upholding American rights and honor: then it begins to shift its attitude, and the next thing you know it is siding with the Bryan-Ford-Pinchod crowd and helping them to hold the president back by his coat-tails. Each time we have had trouble with Germany I have noticed that it always has been the peace-at-any-price faction that has started the first scare-your-congressman-to-death. On

"No," remarked the detormined lady to the indignant taxi driver, who had re-ceived his exact fare, "you cannot cheat me. I haven't ridden in cabe those last twenty-five years for nothing." "Haven't you?" he reforted bitteriy "Well, you've done your heat."-New York Times.

Author-Walter, this beef is as tough a

scare-your-congressman-to-death On the other hand, if a group of men grow weary of Mr. Wilson's painstak-ing attempts to isolate the bacillus of an overt act, if they get the idea that the microscope is no longer the instru-ment indicated, and if they start to educate the public along these lines. "So Jimmy has been half drowned again has he going out in a rowboat against my express order? Well, I am going to cure him of his lowe of sou travel by the homeopathic method."

"I am going to take him to the wood shed with me on a whaling trip."-Raiti more American.

THE BEACON LIGHT.

Old Glory fleating in the breeze, O'er lands that love thes well. With all thy rights upon the seat Remember, "War is hell."

You came to us when days were dark. Conceived in truth and right— At hirth you were a glowing spark. You're now a beacon light.

You're loved and honored 'round the Because your mission's peace, And everywhere you are unfuried The hopes of man increase.

But if, perchance, there is a chance To keep us from the fray. We truly hope some circumstance Will point the peaceful way.

The first American warship of the screw-propeller type was the Princeton, which was launched at Philadelphia just seventy-five

Most of our navy yards date from 1800, in which year sites were purchased for the yards at Boston, Brooklyn, Portsmouth and Washington.

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ways look the proposition In the early days of the United States navy chaplains were appointed by the presi-dent, and it was by no means the rule that the appointee was an ordained clergyman. over carefully. They take no chances. They are absolutely sure of definite re-The present United States military acadturns before they spend a emy was developed from a small mathemat-ical school which had been established at cent. West Point in 1801 under the direction of a

AROUND THE CITIES.

vinced they go the limit. We call this trait fore-Siour City's boosters last week enter-tained the Greater Iowa Boosters' club and took in a fresh stock of red pep. The object of the state club is "to make the wheels of progress turn faster." sightedness — it denotes

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The United States Naval academy dates from 1845, in which year it was first opened on the grounds of Fort Severn, near Annap-

# When investing money al-

The first warship built under the present organisation of the American navy was the United States, launebed at Philadelphia, July 10, 1787.

The first United States naval hospital was established at the old navy yard in Philadelphia during the second war with Great Britain.

Shrewd Men

For if we fail into the maw Of this world-holocaust. Whe will there be to plead for law, When all the world is lost? Then siries for peace with honor bright And hold thy neutral place— You shine tonight the only light To save the human race. Omaha. R. F. WILLIAMS

The first torpedo school of the United States navy was established at Newport, R. L. in 1869. The Trenton, of the United States navy, was the first warship in the world to be lighted by electricity.

The first ironclad steam war vessel was designed by Thomas Gregg of Pennsylvania and patented by him in 1814.

educate the public along these lines,

the same paper is always ready to read them apart. AMERICAN.

BEGINNINGS IN DEFENSE.

The first school for gun firing was estab-lished by the War department at Sandy Hook in 1840.

The first line-of-battle ship built for the United States navy was the America, com-pleted at Portsmouth, N. H., in 1789.

Universal military service is objected to chiefly on the claim that the "people of this country are not amenable to rigid discipline." Nonsense. The way the boys in the trenches line up and stand at the pie counter without hitching mocks the base calumny.

The last batch of Omaha municipal bonds are being sold on a basis of 434 per cent interest. Omaha's credit today ought to float 4 per cent bonds, as it has in times past, and would do se only our finances had been managed to keep these securities eligible for all investment funds.

Munition melons excite more curiosity than appetite among outsiders. Invited guests thrive nd wax fat on the dict. Bulletins from the Du Pont melon feast show no ill effects of absorbing \$82,000,000 of last year's net. An extra dividend of 100 per cent makes doubly sure the ability of stockholders to assimilate nourishment.

## Shafts Aimed at Omaha

Blair Pilot: H. Best has suggested that a paper mill be started in Omaha to work over the waste paper now being saved up and sent to a paper mill in Wisconsin. This is a good idea that the newspaper men of Nebraska will glady help put across. The Omaha Commercial club should get busy at once.

Norfolk Press: Old-style business methods ind new-style thieves seem to work together all right. An Omaha business man banked his money only once a week and an industrious burgiar heard the glad tidings. It cost the busi-ness man \$3,000 to learn that he should visit the bank every day.

The bank every day. The bank every day. Hay Springs News: If the local newspapers would publish one-half of the dope sent out to them by the Omaha Commercial club Omaha would be the best-advertised city in the world. The club specializes every sparing match and built fight as a great attraction for Omaha, al-usys forgetting to enclose even a comp. Anaworth Star-Journal: The Omaha automo-bie show is to have a special day for the farm-bie show is to have a special day for the farm-bie show is to have a special day for the farm-bie show is to have a special day for the farm-bie show is to have a special day for the farm-bie show is to have a special day for the farm-ties to view the automobile. It makes us amile people, and a good many of them, too, seem they brown county and we can show them two autos would be farmers to one by the city man, and they are not all 4d's either.

are the principal conspirators with which mankind must grapple if it would live within its me\_ns. Every inch cut off woman's skirts means an extra pound of beefsteak inside to keep the wearer fit for the elements. But the worst of it is, as the discoverer points out, the girl or woman who struts the streets in short skirts, silk stockings, and chest bared to the winter's winds must eat so much to keep warm that she becomes dyspeptic, nervous and irritable." The tyranny of the fashion plate thus increases the normal consumption of food, swells the demand which boosts prices, and opens up innumerable leaks in the purse. Further search is a waste of time. Speculation in food is a side issue. The problem resolves itself into the simple one of stretching

the gowns at both ends and shortening the demand for food. Without the essential props of fashionable brevity the high cost of living tumbles as a house of cards.

Twenty-five years ago today every live demo crat in Nebraska foregathered at Lincoln and celebrated the reinauguration of Governor Boyd at the state house. Nothing like the turnout was staged before or since. History deals with the event as a political episode. It was more than that. It was the most imposing display of plug hats that ever enlivened the splendors of Lincoln scenery.

The first self-imposed task assumed by Bishop Harty is the completion of Omaha's new cathe While he is sure to succeed in this good dral. enterprise, it is to be hoped the response to his appeal will be prompt so that he can soon dedicate the beautiful edifice and take up other work in which the general public, as well as the church, is interested and which he doubtless plans.

Let us remind our lawmakers again that the best way to keep politics out of the school board and, for that matter, out of all boards presumed to be non-political, is to bar the members during their terms from having their names printed on the primary ballot as candidates for party nominations.

Homer Moore, who was once a member of The Bee's staff as musical critic, has composed a grand opera and, more than that, has had it ac-tually produced. The Bee sends congratulations and hopes to shine in some of the reflected glory.

............ On the next \$1,000,000 and up. ..... 15

"The federal estate tax at the rate at present in force would deduct \$841,000 more from the to-tal, bringing the double tax up to \$2,290,150. With the proposed 50 per cent increase the federal gov-ernment's share would be \$1,261,500, raising the total of the inheritance and estate taxes to \$2,-710,650, or 27.10 per cent, and leaving a balance of \$7,709,850. The table which follows presents a comparison of the existing rates of the federal estate tax and the increased rates which are pro-posed in the pending emergency revenue bill: Present Proposed Estates as Graded. Tax Pert Tax Pert

Estates as Graded. Tax, Pct. Tax, Pct. Up to \$50,000 \$50,000 to \$150,000..... \$150,000 to \$250,000..... \$250,000 to \$450,000..... ..........

"There are thirty-two states which have in-heritance tax laws that apply to the supposi-titious case of Mr. Anyone. Twelve other states exempt direct heirs in their inheritance tax laws exempt direct heirs in their inheritance tax laws, but in these instances the rates applicable to col-lateral heirs usually are higher. These twelve states are Delaware, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, New Hampshire, Ohio, Penn-sylvania, Texas, Vermont and Virginia. There are four states which have no inheritance tax laws. These are Florida, Mississippi, New Mex-ico and South Carolina.

## People and Events

In searching for jokers in present bills and st laws, a committee of the Kansas legislature In searching for jokers in present bills and past laws, a committee of the Kansas legislature hopped on a bygone joker which enables a uni-versity professor to pull municipalities for \$5 for each 1,000 inhabitants as compensation for services as chief booster of the Kansas League of Municipalities. There are other jokers in the pack, but the professor's \$5 yields the greatest percentage of legislative humor.

of Municipalities. There are other jokers in the pack, but the professor's \$5 yields the greatest percentage of legislative humor. Tolonel John D. Colton, one of the two remain ing survivors of the Jayhawker argonauts of '49 observed the sixty-seventh anniversary of their deliverance, at his home in Galesburg, IIL, last Sunday. Snow and wind and zero temperature vividly recalled the hardships of the trip through hawkers emerged January 4, 1849. The other sur-vivor is L. Dow Stephens of San Jose, Cal. The Jayhawker party started from Galesburg and was composed of Illinois and Iowa gold seckars.

Sonora thirty-seven years ago today Brigadier General William Crozier, chief of the bureau of ordinance of the War department, born at Carrollton, O., sixty-two years ago today. Rt. Rev. Nicholas A. Gallagher, Catholic bishop of Galveston, born in Delmont county. Ohlo seventre-one

Cathole bisnop of Galveston, born in Belmont county. Ohlo, seventy-one years ago today. George Sisler, first baseman of the St. Louis American league base ball team, born at Nimisila, O., twentythree years ago today. J. Weldon Wyckoff, pitcher of the

Boston American league base ball team, born at Williamsport, Pa., twen-ty-five years ago today.

#### **Timely Jottings and Reminders**

Problems relating to military pro paredness will occupy a prominent place in the discussions at the 114th meeting of the American Institute of

meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, which begins its sessions today in New York City. The Association of Outdoor Show-men of the World, organized to weed out unscrupulous showmen and to up-lift conditions generally in the show business, will meet in Chicago today for its first annual convention.

business, will meet in Chleago today for its first annual convention. National Song Week is to be ob-served throughout the country during the week beginning today. Patriotic hymns, folklore songs and standard music, it is planned, will be sung in the public schools and at community choruses organized for the purpose. Whether members of a great rail-road brotherhood may invoke the aid of the courts to stop a threatened strike regularly ordered by their or-ganization and still retain their mem-bership in the order is to be deter-mined at Louisville today. Fourteen members of the Order of Railway Conductors, employes of the Louisville branch of the order to show cause why they should not be expelled for resisting through legal procedure last September, service of a general strike order when a nation-wide railroad strike seemed imminent. Storrette of the Day.

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Philadelphia boosters are shaking hands with themselves on the location of a huge Westinghouse plant on the edge of the city. Enthanisat figure the plant good for an increase of 40,000 in population. Company is selling a portion of their capital stock at \$100 a share to meet the demand of an increasing trade.

Louisville is talking up for next year a centennial celebration in honor of the acquisi-tion of that territory from the British by George Rogers Clarke. Boosters believe the celebration is good for 50,000 visitors. The New York couple which won the apotlight by dressing in black for the mar-ringse ceremony took less chance with the fates than a Salt Lake couple. A fruit cake baked forty-six years ago was served at the latter wedding.

latter wedding. Chiesgo's right to regulate billboards has been sustained by the state supreme court. "The declaion," say the Tribune, "seems to indicate that things offensive to the eye, as well as those which offend the mose and ears, may be declared nuisances and abolished." The L. V. Micholas Oll Company

abolished." Federal and state authorities in Chicago are waging war on the bonding business, controled chiefly by underworld grafters who shadow the courts for victims. The state has nabbed the gueen of professional bonders, who scheduled the same property four times for an equal number of patrons. Half a dorm of the clan are in the toils of Judge Landie' court.

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