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Play it safe when you start for your Sunday Joy ride today.

What water there is at Fort Crook is of good quality, and that is some comfort.

Meat-less, wheat-less, cat less-they're all all right, but only with the accompaniment of cheat-less!

Yes, but will 3-cent letter postage reduce complaints by producing better mail service than 2-cent letter postage?

Wall street also felt the heated spell, although customarily it is hot enough there to suit anybody but a salamander.

These are the days when Omaha draws full dividends on money we have invested in ou. public parks and playgrounds.

Chances are we will save our Nebraska corn crop at least once or twice again this season, with a final rescue from Jack Frost.

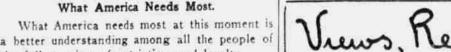
Nebraska is to get a chance to furnish sixty officers more than first alloted, but even that number will not exhaust the material.

That appeal for a water cooler for the machine gun company up on Farnam street ought to be quickly filled. The boys should be comfortable while they are here.

Eight-four degrees granted at the end of the summer term suggests that the University of Nebraska is not so seriously hampered by presence of the war after all.

The returned Root mission is being entertained at "a Pacific coast port." Oh, shucks! What's the use in the censor trying to hide their whereabouts after they are safely home?

If it were a republican senator from Nebraska



the full meaning of patriotism and loyalty. Every time we read of internal dissensions in Germany or hear stories about approaching popular revulsion against the German war lords, we conclude that Germany is weakening and find in it great encouragement. We forget, however, that in precisely the same way the kaiser and

his war lords, who we may be sure keep fully posted on what is happening over here, measure the added strength of the opposing force represented by the entrance of the United States into the war by reports they get about backpulling, draft-resisting, German-sympathizing, obstruction-making activities in this country.

The certainty that the people of the United States are earnestly and solidly for "America first," as against all enemies, driven straight home to the German warriors, would be the most powerful factor imaginable to make them realize the inevitable and to hasten the advent of peace. Every manifestation of open resistance or halfhearted support to the measures adopted by our government for the vigorous prosecution of the war means, therefore, increased cost in life and treasure for the attainment of the goal just as concentration of force and prompt action means quicker peace and less outlay to get it.

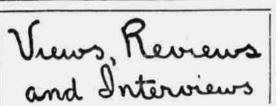
As The Bee has more than once pointed out, we are in this war to the finish and each and every loyal American, regardless whether he previously thought we should get in or stay out, should have but a single purpose now and that to achieve peace by victory-possible only through the display of unstinted and undivided Americanism.

Tractor Show at Fremont.

Fremont is again to be for a week the center of interest for progressive farmers, because of the competitive exhibition of farm tractors. This show not only marks the advance in farm methods, but in the practice of machinery builders as well. The use of heavy and high-powered machines in farm operations has long passed the experimental stage, and is become as much a matter of course as any step in the operation of corn production. Demands on the industry required the presence of machinery, and this demand has been well met by American genius, devoted to the end of lessening drudgery, saving man power and making more certain the reward of intelligent effort by providing the means for better preparation.

The tractor is as necessary to successful farming today as is the plow or the harrow it drags across the field, while new uses are being found for it each year. Farm life is no longer an isolated condition, set apart and detached from the community life of the nation. All the conveniences and comforts of a modern city are now at the farmer's disposal, with his own peculiar opportunities of environment enhanced by reason of his increased domestic advantages. His home is a center of culture as well as cultivation, and his family enjoys the little refinements that pad and soften existence, all brought about and made

possible by the engine that animates the tractor. The present show at Fremont is the greatest of its kind ever held, with an assemblage of machinery that indicates how highly the makers steem this chance for exhibition and comparison of wares. A visit will well repay any, especially those who may be even remotely concerned in agriculture.



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THE PASSING of General Harrison Gray Otis

out at Los Angeles last week has taken away one of the most striking and widely known figures in American journalism. General Otis was what in common parlance we would call "a fighter from Fightersville," and he was on the fighting line all the time. His fight against the labor unions, running over many years and culminating in the dynamiting of his newspaper establishment. focussed the attention of the whole country upon the uncompromising battle he was waging for what he was convinced were his rights and the reaction has unquestionably been greatly in his favor. The fight, by the way, was at last accounts still on.

General Otis was a warm personal friend of my father and fought side by side with him in some of the Associated Press controversies of years gone by. I personally met him only two or three times, the last time down in Mexico City, where he was one of the specially appointed delegates to represent our government at the Mexican centennial in 1910. He then appeared to be in his prime with robust physique and courtly bearing, affable yet extremely dignified. He afterwards sent me a reprint of a symposium on a proposed "endowed newspaper' to which we both had contributed our views and both favored trying it out. At the same time he indicated the field he believed such a paper

should cover as follows: "Besides being a newspaper, in the broad and true sense, it is to be assumed-certainly it is to be strongly desired-that the proposed new journal will be, in the matter of doctrine, a brave unswerving champion of the Constitution of the United States-a stalwart defender of liberty under law, and of the indisputable right of all law-abiding citizens, acting either singly of in associated capacities, to be protected the state in freely pursuing their business, by. political, religious or personal pathways, within the limitations of law, in their own way, without shackles and without unwarranted and unauthorized private or leagued interference, harra: sment or persecution. Unless the proposed new example of reform journalism does these things, it will not truly serve the great body of the people, which it is the business of a public journal to do, and it will not succeed. So far as I am concerned, I am perfectly willing to see the suggested experiment tried. It will be interesting and notable, and will surely arouse a farflung public interest.'

Another epigrammatic paragraph of the same article gives this as General Otis' idea of the editor's guiding star, which he himself doubtless aimed to keep constantly before him.

"The responsible editor of an American public journal should fear God and obey the law; respect the judiciary, worship the flag, honor the army and the navy; advocate peace when it can be had without dishonor or unsighteousness: stand against unjust wars, both foreign and internecine, and at the same time hold himself ready to direct his glance along the gunbarrel and his hand quick to reach for the hilt when his country's life is assailed. He should have a heart over-responsive to the calls of the suffering and oppressed, and to worthy aspirations of the liberty loving."

I see that our sketch of John C. Fremont and story of how he became famous as the pathfinder and immortalized by having the town of Fremont named after him has drawn out some critical comment from John T. Bell. "In respect to the eye. services rendered our country before the civil war by General Fremont," says Mr. Bell, "the praise rendered him by The Bee is to a considerextent merited, but his connection with the civil war reflected no credit upon him." It is hardly in order to hold a brief for General Fremont's part in the civil war which Mr. Bell makes out to be a complete failure, disastrous to the general and costly to the government, but that still did not lose him the credit earned 1884. by his exploring expeditions. When we held our Transmississippi exposition and the government issued a series of commemorative postage stamps, the design for one of them showed General Fremont in the act of hoisting the Stars and Stripes on Pike's Peak as a belated official appreciation. Mrs. Jessie Benton Fremont, the widow, was then living in California and an effort was made to induce her to visit the exposition and incidentally help along the publicity by writing some magazine articles. According to my recol lection, however, she was unable to make the

chewing gum.

Proverb for the Day. It makes all the difference as to which end of a horn comes foremost

One Year Ago Today in the War. Russians won another victory on the

road to Lemberg. British captured German main system on second line north of Pozieres. French rolled back German forces

in fiercest fighting of entire Verdun campaign.

This Day in History.

1731-Thomas Dawes, the Boston patriot at whose house the famous caucus club held its meetings, born in Boston. Died there, January 2, 1809. 1749.-Thomas Lynch, a South Carolina signer of the Declaration of Independence, born in Prince George parish, S. C. Lost at sea in 1779.

1812-A force of 200 Americans de feated in a skirmish with 600 British and Indians at Brownstown, Mich. 1816-Henry Clay was re-elected to

congress from Kentucky. 1817-Thomas W. Tipton, United

States senator from Nebraska 1867-75. oorn at Cadiz, O. Died in Washington, D. C., Nov. 28, 1899. 1864-Admiral Farragut attacked

the forts in Mobile Bay. 1867-President Johnson requested

the resignation of Secretary of War Stanton. 1914-Montenegro declared war on

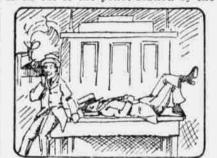
Austria_ 1915-Austro-German army captured Warsaw, storming the city's last

In Omaha Thirty Years Ago Today.

defenses.

Hon. J. P. Usher, the only living member of Abraham Lincoln's cabinet, is in the city visiting his son Colonel Sam Usher.

Judge Berka has placed a large table in the main room of the police court quarters for the use of the night police reporters who have been ordered out of the police station by the



chief. The judge has given the reporters the freedom of the room and has done everything possible to make the busy night workers as comfortable as possible.

Colonel Savage, mayor of South Omaha, has returned from his western trip looking fresh and hearty.

Mayor W. J. Broatch and family have left for Atlantic City and Deer Park for six weeks sojourn

The steam motor on the Benson line is one of the ugliest looking instruments of locomotion ever seen in these parts, being black as night, about the size of a traveler's trunk, with a smokestack in one end. For some reason it cannot be made to stay on the track and it is causing considerable trouble with passing teams.

Mrs. Jack Galligan has left for Chicago to be present at the operation which is to be performed on the chief's

Mrs. Sam Atkinson, of Bedford, Iowa, is the guest of Frank and Miss Mary Atkinson of this city. Mrs Atkinson has accepted a position in

comes from Fontainbleu. Motor boats forty feet long and drawing hree and one-half feet of water are wanted hree well, he brought in three rune with three and one-half feet of water are wanted his two-bagger,-Judge.

The Russian flag flies over one-sixth of the earth's land surface, to protect 182,-000,000 souls, representing sixty-four racial and tribal divisions and speaking more than

The duchy of Lichtenstein is to issue two new postage stamps. They will show the coat-of-arms of the country and the picture of King Johann II. The values will

The British War office issues a statement

wrong boots. Can't you see one is black and the other brown? Batman-Sure, but the other pair is just hat a farmer in the north of England has the same .- Cassell's Journal. "Does sleeping on your back give you

nightmare "Invariably," replied Mr. Chuggins. 8.805 artificial limbs have been made for soldiers by private firms at a cost of \$636,- imagining I am fixing my automobile."-Washington Star.

> DEAR MR. KABIGBLE, WHO SHOULD APOLOGIZE AFTER A FIGHY - THE HUSBAND OR WIFE ? -A WIFE · SANK MAYBE THE DOCTOR WONY LET YOU TALK TO HIM! 2000

SUMMER SMILES.

The Professor-He made a perfect fail-

"What time did my wife say she would

"I thought you had given up burnt-wood

art, dearie." "Ferdinand, how can you be so heart-less? This is a ple."--Kansas City Jour-

Officer-Hang it! You've brought the

indeed, it adds so much"-Chris

"Oh. don't you love nature?"

"An hour ago, sir."

"Dear me! I'm earlyl"-Life.

tian Register.

be here?"

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Green Golfer (to caddie)-What are you looking for? I must have driven it fifty yards farther than that. Diplomatic Carddie—Yes, air, but some-times they hit a stone and bounce back

a terrible distance, sir .- Boston Transcript

"We have asked her several times to sing and she has refused each time." "If I were you I'd let it go at that. Some of the strangers may go away thinking they've missed something."-Detroit Free

Press. "Mrs. Smith, do you and Mr. Smith agree like most couples, on the question of pre-serves?"

"No, we take quite opposite views about I put them up and he puts them "-Baltimore American. them.

Visitor-When writing about China do you refer to it as a republic or a monarchy? Editor-Always the opposite to what it is at the moment. It's bound to be the other by the time the article gets into print .---Buffalo Express.

"I just now met Blobson. He said he was going out to play a little golf." "He probably told the truth. Blobson can go through more motions and play less golf than any other man of my acquaintance."-Birmingham Age-Herald

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AROUND THE WORLD.

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been fined \$375 for refusing to sell and deliver his wool in accordance with the official wool purchasing order. It is officially announced in London that

000, and that more than 7,000 additional men who have lost limbs are waiting to be supplied.

The commission to regulate the sale of sisal, which controls the sisal products of Yucatau, has announced that it will loan 4,000,000 pesos to small farmers engaged n the cultivation of henequin without interest.

Plans for the construction of a tunnel under the English channel and the linking up of the east and west coast of Scotland by a ship canal have been engaging considerable attention lately. More recently the

proposal to bore a tunnel beneath the Irish sea has been revived. The Sumitomo family, which owns the Sumitomo bank and many valuable copper mines in Japan, has distributed \$2,500,000 among its employes. Other Japanese in dustries are prosperous, and it is reported that the Toyo Kasen steamers make \$150,-000 clear profit on every trip from Hong-

A REMINDER.

Across the rolling pratries, I can imagine if I try Just how blame hot the air is;

let me just remind you folks

So hot your clothing burns you: But the garden truck is doing fine, That is what most concerns you;

The small boy seeks the swimmin' hole

The birdle seeks the fountain; But it's cool in Colorado, for There's fresh snow on the mountain.

Nebraska's fields of waving corn

Are strong for Uncle Sammy,

They could not march to victory

So, it's scorchin' hot in Omaha

The vales with posies studded; The air is full of piney smells,

The camper shivers at the dawn

But cool in far Seattle.

But his heart is not sad It may be hot in Omaha.

But come to Colorado

If breezes there were balmy. They need a sun that's boiling hot To fit their blades for battle;

The mountain brooks are full of trout,

With cones they're newly budded.

Each burial service planned and exe-

cuted by us is marked by the distinc-

tion that our good taste makes pos-

not sad. Oh

-BAYOLL NE TRELE.

I know the perspiration rolls In sunshine and in shadow.

kong to San Francisco.

It may be bot in Omeha

It's cool in Colorado.

It sure is hot in Omaha,

who voted "wet" in defiant disregard of the mandate of his constituents, try to imagine how our democratic contemporary would roast him.

A German naval expert admits that Great Britain yet controls the sea, but says the busy little U-boat may in time turn the balance. This is different again from the promise made in February.

Sooner or later a brigade of "graybeards" will have to be formed to satisfy the cravings of the veterans who didn't get enough of it between '61 and '65. A little of their spirit infused into the youth of today might do no harm.

Evidence is accumulating that the kaiser and his advisers had an inkling, at least, of what was going on before Austria declared war on Serbia. History will locate the blame in due season; the big thing now is to get the job completed.

Our Omaha hyphenated questions the Americanism of Collier's Weekly, whose Americanism has never been in question. Must be on the theory of the "stop thief" cry raised by the purse-snatcher as he is making his getaway.

It is interesting of course to note that Senator Gore, democrat, proposes to delay the food control bill still further, while his Oklahoma constituents are doing all they can to delay the selective draft. Not all our national troubles are blamable on the I. W. W.

Just to illustrate how the whirligig of time works, Omaha went to the commission plan of city government in order to get a new deal in the city hall and now it is proposed to go back to the mayor and council system in order to get a new deal into the city hall.

"Nebraska never voted on national prohibition" is the excuse offered by Senator Hitchcock's paper for the senator's vote against submitting the prohibition amendment in the face of the decisive "dry" vote of his own constituency. No, and Nebraska never voted on national sufirage, but the delegation representing Nebraska in the house took the record in their respective districts as instruction and voted the way their constituents voted. "If the people rule, why is it they don't get what they want?"

Rations for European Neutrals.

President Wilson has called on the European neutral nations to present exact data on which our program for providing them with rations may be worked out. The United States is not willing to let the people of the neutral countries starve, but insists on shutting off supplies from Germany. This is a change in our position brought about by our new relations to the war. Last year we sent great stores of food and other supplies to the Scandinavians and Dutch, who promptly re-exported them to Germany at an added profit. It is different now, since we have become a belligerent ourselves, and only the real home needs of these countries will be supplied, after our allies have been provided for. Norway, whose trading with the Germans has been quite extensive, although its shipping has suffered more than that of its neighbors, is willing to make almost any kind of an agreement that will secure food. Holland shows true Dutch thrift in asking for goods on conceded terms, but declining to allow its cargo carriers to run any risk of U-boats. Sweden and Denmark will present their calculations along with the others and soon the absolute embargo on shipments to these countries may be lifted. Their predicament is serious, but our own safety requires that they be rigidly dealt with in this vouched for as long as they are under Pershing's matter.

Good Roads for Douglas County.

Douglas county is going through the same course that disturbs road building in every Nebraska community. Too many advisers and too many experiments hinder any real progress along the lines that means so much to all. The county commissioners want one thing, the automobile clubs another, Commercial club and improvement club committees make suggestions or demands, private citizens get out injunctions, and between them all road improvement halts and languishes. A conference might be held, and an argreement reached, under which a continuing plan for road building and maintenance could be worked out, and Douglas county be given the benefit of the money that is now expended on roads. Everything needed can not be done at once; somebody must wait, but in time the county can be covered with splendid highways if the work is done in a systematic and not a haphazard way. We can at least have honesty and eliminate graft and favoritism in contract letting. Something should be done to harmonize ideas and methods and get

results in road building.

Develop the Milling Industry.

Announcement of the formation of a company well financed to establish another great flouring mill for Omaha is welcome news. Capitalists are slowly waking up to the attractive possibilities of this neglected industry. The Bee has in season and out of season urged the importance of flouring mills to Nebraska, one of the principal wheat raising states of the union. This city ought to be a milling center as well as a grain market, and perhaps the history of the grain exchange may be repeated now. For many years this paper urged the feasibility of making Omaha a primary grain market, and finally it came to pass. In time our efforts to awaken investors to the possibilities of milling may bring reward. Adjacent to the greatest wheat fields of the world, with cheap and unfailing power, splendid railroad facilities and every natural advantage, Omaha should come eventually to be the real milling center of the United States, if not the world.

School Athletics in War Time,

Again we are reminded that the president favors the retention of athletics at the schools of the country. Very good reason may be found for this, and very little why it should not be so. If the end of college athletics were to develop winning teams, or to turn out champion strong men maybe the interruption of the war and its consequent drawing away of lusty youth from the schools might affect the practice. Primarily, however, the object of athletic training is to develop the physical faculties of the students, to keep their bodies in tune with their minds, and to see that both grow together. Outdoor and indoor games and exercises for the muscles are vitally a part of a well-rounded college course. Immature minds require no more careful attention than immature bodies, and it is quite as important to stimulate the one as the other. Athletics are just as important now as ever at the schools, and should not be given up.

General Pershing gave his army in France : going over the other day that made some of his officers and men think "Black Jack" is a drill master rather than an army commander. At any rate, the smartness of the Sammies will be

Here are a few extracts from a letter I recently came across in my father's correspondence of particularly timely interest and which the author, I feel sure, will have no objection to publication. It is a letter from an officer whose military record will not be challenged and was written in the field during our last war. His rank then was only "major"-now it is "majorgeneral."

"Santiago, Cuba, July 14, 1898 .- My Dear Mr. Rosewater: Though the news of the fall of Santiago has gone to the world by wire, yet perhaps a letter from one who has gone through the heat and rain and fighting may be of interest. Really I think no army has ever endured what this one has. It is a wonder there are any left.

"Still nothing succeeds like success, but the success is due to the valor and patriotism of the individual line officer and enlisted manthese by their combined efforts have brought glory to American armies. "Well, it was a hot fight that July 1, thrown

into the middle of it at the crossing of the San Juan river under the fatal balloon where the converging artillery and infantry fire made life worth nothing. We waded the river to our armpits and formed line in an opening in dense undergrowth facing our objective, the San Juan block house-all the while exposed to volley firing from front, left front and left flank and you know what it means to be uncertain as to the position of the enemy. On the dusky troopers trudged, their number being gradually diminished until they reached the open in front of the position when they advanced by rushes almost half way, then went the balance with a charge.

"Spanish small arm fire is terrible. The low flat trajectory of the Mauser is only equaled by that of our own Krag Jorgenson. Men in the third and fourth lines were in as great danger as those nearer, indeed, less casualties occurred close to the entrenchments. This dusky Tenth cavalry is my regiment and it was inspiring to accompany them. Our losses were 20 per cent killed and wounded, 50 per cent of officers were lost-a fearful rate. I doubt the expediency of attacking entrenched positions from the front. The enemy being armed with modern small arms, artillery and flanking fire are safer, to say the least. It was costly, but it decided the fate of Santiago.

With kindest regards I am, yours sincerely, "JOHN J. PERSHING, "Adjutant Tepth Cavalry."

People and Events

General Pershing has adopted "Sammies" as the popular name for American soldiers in France, Uncle Sam appreciates the compliment.

It was entirely in accordance with the general fitness of things that Emma Goldman should have returned to New York on the hottest day in twenty-four years.

When the price of potatoes began to go up, Henry Clay, of New York, grocer, sold his stock at auction and invested all the money in rice. He disposed of it all in three weeks at a profit of \$5,-000

Peter Keavney of New York isn't a military slacker, for his wife had to get him out of the army. He is slightly remiss in other ways, however, for a police judge sent him to "the island" sixty days for failing to provide for his family.

the Omaha public schools The Day We Celebrate.

Dr. Ralph W. Connell, city health commissioner, was born Agust 5, 1859 at Chroon Lake, N. Y. He has been practicing medicine in Omaha since

J. O. Detweller is just 54 today. He was born in Chambersburg, Pa., and put out his shingle first in Shelby, Neb. He has been practicing law in Omaha since 1892.

A. F. McAdams is celebrating his 87 birthday today. He was born in Marcelline, Ill., and is district commercial manager of the Nebraska Telephone company.

C. D. Sturtevant started his earthly career just forty years ago today in Chicago. His present abiding place is right here in Omaha, where he is secretary and treasurer for the Cavers Sturtevant company.

Brigadier-General Henry A. Greene. U. S. A., born in New York, sixty-one years ago today.

Captain Malin Craig, member of the general staff of the United States army, born in Missouri, forty-two years ago today. William S. Culbertson, special coun-

sel of the Federal Trade commission. born at Greensburg, Pa., thirty-three years ago today. J. C. W. Beckham, United States

senator from Kentucky, born at Bardstown, Ky., forty-eight years ago today. Blanche Bates, noted actress of the

merican stage, born at Portland,

Ore., forty-four years ago today. Dr. Frank Strong, chancellor of the University of Kansas, born at Venice, N. Y., fifty-eight years ago today. Colonel Jacob C. Ruppert, president

of the New York American league baseball club, born in New York City, fifty years ago today.

Timely Jottings and Reminders.

Coatesville, Pa., today begins a week's celebration of its semi-centennial.

The present National Guard of states will cease to exist as such today, when the last contingents are to be drafted into the American army.

ODD AND INTERESTING.

Broom-corn brooms were first made in the United States in 1791.

In one English factory \$0,000 khaki uniorms a day are being turned out. Eggs a century old are considered a great

delicacy by the Chinese epicure. Sleeping or waking, alive or dead, the

eyes of a snake are always wide open In the American revolution Rhode Island

had a complete regiment of negro soldiers. In China it is considered a gross breach

of etiquet for a man to wear eye-glasses or spectacles in company.

The first mill in America for the manufacture of cotton yarns was erected by Samual Slater at Providence in 1795.

New York City leads all other cities of the United States in the manufacture of men's clothing and men's furnishing goods. German statistics show that the number

of juvenile criminals has increased more than four-fold since the beginning of the war.

Brigadier General Henry Knox in 1776 was the first to suggest the establishment of a military school for the United States at West Point, N. Y.

There is living in Norfolk, Va., an aged negro who is believed to be the last survivor of Commodore Perry's famous expedition to Japan in 1853.

In the deepest parts of the Atlantic ocean the highest peak of the Alps might be sunk and there would still be half a mile of sea water covering it.

Sir Stephen Fox, whose first child was cradled in 1655, when he was 28, lived to nurse a baby daughter seventy-one years later, when he was 99.

It is estimated that the mail carriers of London walk, together, something like 48,360 miles a day, or a distance equal to twice the circumference of the globe.

In certain parts of the far east the shepherds have a curious method of cooking an egg. The egg is placed in a sling and whirled round and round until the heat generated by the motion has cooked it

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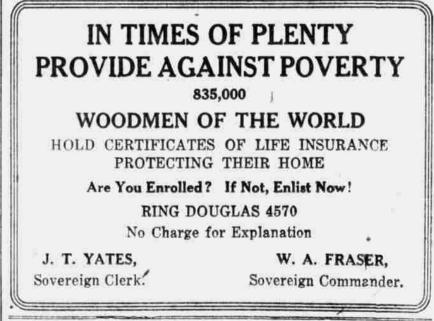


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