# THE OMAHA BEE

DAILY (MORNING) - EVENING - SUNDAY FOUNDED BY EDWARD ROSEWATER

VICTOR ROSEWATER, EDITOR THE BEE PUBLISHING COMPANY, PROPRIETOR. Entered at Omaha postoffice as second-class matter.

MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The Associated Press, of which The Boe is a member, is explusively satisfied to the use for publication of all news dispatches credited to it or not otherwise credited in this paper and also the local news published herein. All rights of sublication of our special dispatches tre also reserved.

REMITTANCE Remit by draft, express or postal order. Only 2-cent stamps taken to payment of small accounts. Personal check, except on Omaha and eastern exchange, not accepted.

**OFFICES** he—The Bee Building.
h Omaha—2318 N St.
leil Bluffs—14 N Main St.
leil Bluffs—14 N Main St.
leil Bluffs—14 N Main St.
Washington—1811 G St.
Washington—1811 G St.

CORRESPONDENCE

diffress communications relating to news and editorial matter to
make Bee. Editorial Department.

JANUARY CIRCULATION 59,964 Daily-Sunday, 52,534

Subscribers leaving the city should have The Bee mailed to them. Address changed as often as requested.

Medicine Hat is going to upset our spring plans again.

Did the stuff you canned and dried and preserved last summer keep well?

This softening weather is another call to mobilize the plows and harrows of the corn belt.

Turkey is going after Armenia again, another of the concrete results achieved by the Trotzky triumph in Russia.

The cook who told General Pershing he wanted more green stuff can find a lot of company in the home land these days.

A German alien named Grady has asked for registry in Nebraska. Marshal Flynn balks at the name, but agrees to let it pass.

Colonel George Harvey says the spies should be shot, but asks if anyone can picture Newton D. Baker in the act of signing a death warrant.

Germany is trying out a "super" gas on the Americans in the front line trenches, with about as good effect as it had with its "superman" stuff.

Haig will have to start something pretty soon if he does not want the clamor of the critics at home to drown out the noise of the guns on the battle line.

during the war is a trifle late in starting and the sooner it is announced the better it will be for

Formulation of a definite program for labor

The enemy is reported to have tapped American telephone wires at the front, but it is a safe conjecture that what the listeners heard did not encourage them any.

John Masefield says almost anything may come out of Russia. No reason to dispute this, for everything but order has come out of that distracted region within the last year.

Bolsevism seems to have done its perfect work in Russia. Starvation now threatens the mass who sought to reverse all human experience and may force a revival of orderly government and industry.

Closing dance halls is not the way to achieve social reform, according to a Chicago expert amongst us. We do not know what Chicago tried, but hope nothing will be done to bring Omaha to the condition of the Windy City.

### Money for Good Roads.

State Engineer Johnson's compilation of money to be expended in Nebraska in connection with the national good roads campaign is most encouraging. While the sum is not large, it is sufficient to make a start, and it is not unreasonable to think that once we have fairly entered on the work of constructing durable and serviceable highways the undertaking will not be abandoned until Nebraska is well supplied in that regard. For the present year the nineteen districts into which the state has been subdivided will invest a total of \$266,358 in the comprehensive plan of construction, this money to be expended on sections of highway subsequently to be connected into a unified system. Covering a five-year period, it is planned to use \$3,167,911 in the furtherance of these projects. This money is aside from that annually spent under the direction of district supervisors for the repair and construction of country roads. Properly applied, it will produce such a nucleus of improved highways as will not only justify the immediate expenditure, but encourage a continuation of the work. As the move is nation-wide, it is making certain that the middle of the century will see the United States fairly well equipped with thoroughfares that will match the highway systems of any civilized country.

### Labor's Responsibility in War.

Two notable declarations addressed to labor, but holding also a message for everybody, have just been given to the public. The one is the reply of the president to the head of the carpenters' union, the other the address of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor. Mr. Wilson, in declining to confer with William L. Hutcheson, general president of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, lays down this proposition:

No body of men has the moral right in the present circumstances of the nation to strike until every method of adjustment has been tried to the limit. If you do not act upon this principle you undoubtedly are giving aid and comfort to the enemy, whatever may be your own

Of the correctness of the president's conclusions in this matter there can be no doubt. One of the great principles involved in this war, and for which we as a nation most zealously contend. is the peaceful adjustment of all the international differences; if we cannot settle wage disputes without strikes, how can we expect to determine international disputes without war?

Samuel Gompers and his associates, who speak for organized labor of America, present a brief that should be pondered carefully by every citizen. It completely sums up the case for the worker and in temperate but earnest language expresses the aspirations of the men and women who do things.

In these two statements is contained the call to capital and labor alike, to employers and employed, to give over individual ambitions or desires and get together for the war. The only way to peace now is through victory and victory cannot be achieved when strife over industrial problems divides the nation.

### "Black Jack" and "the Boys."

"Whoever saw a commanding general walking among the men?" inquired a private, skeptical of the information given him that the man with four stars on his collar was Pershing. It was the same Pershing, though, who jumped from his seat in front of his tent down in Mexico to shake hands with a grizzled trooper whom he had known years before and who still wore the uniform of a private soldier. It was Pershing who gives close attention to major tactics and the infinite strategy of the war, attends international councils and helps to plan great campaigns and yet finds time to look after the welfare and comforts of his men, seeing to it that they are cared for in all ways. General Pershing is a splendid example of the American soldier and wholly deserves the confidence he has been given by his country. Fathers and mothers whose sons are in France with him know the boys will get a square deal under "Black Jack" and that the world will have a higher regard for the American army because of the fine character of its leader and the men under him.

### Breakdown of Bolsevism.

"The hope of the bolsheviki for a speedy revolution in Germany is an insane delusion," according to Vorwaerts, the organ from which the socialists of the world took their tune a few years ago. It is still the potent mouthpiece of the socialists of Germany and in its utterance may be noted the dominating thought of the reds within the central empires. No thinking man government has been with extraordinary and so the crowds in the busiest thoroughaccept the doctrine of bolsevism or the practices of the bolsheviki. Whatever else the socialists within the kaiser's dominion may be, they are loyal to the German ideals. "Deutschland uber alles" means as much to the socialist there as to the junker and their "international mind" is manifest along that line only. Meanwhile the bolshevik, unable to make headway against the Teuton enemy, is carrying on a furious warfare against Russians who refuse to join in the lunacy of Lenine and Trotzky. No semblance of order or safety remains in any region dominated by the disciples of brotherhood and idleness, but Germany is making ready to establish its control over provinces not yet brought under subjection. Civilization never looked upon a darker picture than that presented by Russia at the close of its first year of freedom and liberty.

### Use the Substitutes.

Many housewives have wondered what to do with the substitutes sold them along with their purchases of wheaten flour. The only answer is, "Use them." All are edible, nutritious and palatable. Their enforced presence at this time is something of an indictment of the generation. Not a great many years ago most, if not all, the available substitutes for wheat were in common use. People were familiar with them as articles of diet and thrived on them. Adversity has shaken us out of our soft ways of living and we are requested to give over some of our table dainties, among them the white wheaten loaf. When we have recovered from the shock of this experience we will have discovered that it is our esthetic and not our material sense that has been disturbed. Corn, rye, oatmeal, rice, potatoes-all the list of edibles offered to take the place of

wheat are good for man's consumption. Reasons for using these substitutes have been frequently stated. They are sound and should appeal to all. Unless we get down to business and do all we can to win we will not win the victory we have started out to achieve. One way to help is to use the substitutes for wheat.

## Long-Planned War on United States "There is No God But Power and Prussia is Its Prophet!"

Prof. Albion W. Small, Chicago University.

on business which gave me occasion to sam- all Germany, it would be too unsafe to folple the opinions about our country of more low it into practice. For two or three weeks different classes of Germans than I had ever following publication of the interview, at a interviewed before. The itinerary scheduled signal from Consul Wever of Chicago-one stops at Cologne, Lucerne, Vienna, Budapest, of the most efficient promoters of German Munich, Dresden, Berlin and thence an ex- interests that has ever represented that cursion into Russia. At each of these points, country in the United States—the German and in the intermediate travel, I had oppor- language press of America and not a few tunities to talk with men of prominence and publications in English bristled with abuse with as many more whom I could classify of the ignorant American tourist who had inmerely as ordinary specimens of their various sulted Germany by drawing such an infertypes. I soon became aware that, quite aside ence from such data. from the direct purpose of my trip, I was Up to the present hour the Germans have gathering from these sources a collection of pursued the same policy of denying the sigsignificant and cumulative evidence. Over nificance of any and every fact which tended and over again Germans of different social to fix on them the stigma of militarism in positions, living in as many different parts of general or responsibility for the present war Germany and neighboring countries, volunin particular. No matter what German has teered the same opinion in almost the same endorsed the creed of force or of terrorizawords: "You Yankees are all right, but it is tion as the technique of the creed, even the only a question of time when we Germans kaiser or the crown prince, or the chancellor, will have to fight you, not with trade regula- or authors with readers by the hundred thoutions, but with cannon." And my question sands, the professional German apologists "Why?" invariably brought the stereotyped have always given the cue for a world-wide answer: "Because you are trying to get some claque to shout the repudiation: "That parof the world's foreign commerce."

Up to that time I had firmly believed in the pacific intentions of Germany. I had reterances of kaiser, and professor, and editor, ible that so marfy men, of such different kinds, who at the time was reputed to be the fore- consequently have to be known, not by what most continental expositor of the British con- Americans had denied in terms, but by what stitution. The argument expanded these we had actually done. it meanwhile, because I had taken it as a isfying national ambitions. choice specimen of academic pedantry, with no practical bearing. Presently I began to for granted.

experience in a newspaper interview, with with all it involves, that most hellish heresy the conclusion that we Americans would be that has ever menaced civilization: There

In the summer of 1903 I was in Germany | the creed which I had heard should proselyte

ticular utterance or that particular man cuts

no figure in Germany. We have always had a few men in Amerigarded the pan-German agitation as a joke, can politics who waxed great in their own I had interpreted the familiar grandiose ut- eyes by declamation of the manifest destiny of the United States to be "bounded on the and Reichstag orator as the harmless word north by the Aurora Borealis, on the south painting of an imaginative people who delight by the Southern Cross." Usually the saving in setting national commonplaces in a heroic sense of the people, ably aided and abetted light. But these coincidences started my re- by the obduracy of things, has rendered such flections in a new direction. It was incred- politicians innocuous. But suppose the inconceivable had become actual and we had from such widely separated places, could found ourselves under an administration have arrived independently at such an aston- which had deliberately committed this counishing consensus. Such a state of mind must try to the aim of annexing Canada. Suppose have been the result of some central influ- we had made it a test of loyalty to support ence or influences. A captain of infantry, this administration in waging a war for the whom I met in the home of a friend in Ber- conquest of the Dominion. Suppose we had lin, strengthened this inference when he gave persisted in accepting without question the me a book which contained the same senti- administration's fiction-"The war was forced ment in almost the same words, with the upon us!" Suppose we had refused to cast comment which afterward proved to carry ac- in our lot with any peace movement which crued interest: "It is the most popular book might involve overthrow of the administra-of the year among German officers." Then I tion or of the party that had seduced the began to pick up other threads of association. country into its immoral course. In that I recalled a lecture which I had heard during case our deeds would have spoken louder my student days by Prof. Gniest of Berlin, than our words. American character would

propositions: "The United States of America | The outstanding fact, to which the Gerhas no sovereign. Therefore it has no sov- mans have been delivering themselves with ereignty. Therefore it is not in the proper accelerated motion till the incredible culsense of the term a state. Therefore it is mination of 1914, and since, is that all the not entitled to the full rights of a state Germans have adopted as their own the cause among states." I listened with amusement to of those leaders who have advertised their the exposition and had scarcely thought of trust in war as the foremost means of sat-

Few native Americans have more or recall, however, that in my reading since my weightier reasons for gratitude to Germany student days I had come across many Ger- than I have been accumulating for nearly 40 man expressions of the same idea, with the years. None can be more willing in every implication that it was something to be taken possible way to acknowledge the debt which can never be discharged. And yet! And yet! This will be an intolerable world until On my return to Chicago I reported my the Germans have once and forever recanted, living in a fool's paradise until we provided is no God but power and Prussia is its ourselves with a navy so strong that, even if prophet!

## Gold Pours Into Tank Banks

London Letter in New York Times.

Perhaps taking the hint from the recruit- would roll along through the streets to fetch ing "battleship" in Union square, the British the check. This it had to do several times, uses in raising money for national pur- fore them. Meanwhile in Trafalgar square poses. The intense interest aroused by the itself the scene was a nearer approach to tanks, which figured in the lord mayor's that of an old time country fair than London show at the beginning of November, sug- had seen for many a day. Hawkers with gested that an exhibition of them in London medals, flags, picture post cards, and might be used to attract subscriptions to the war loan, and the idea proved to be so good that in the last six weeks about \$100,000,000 has been raised by the "Tank Bank."

The first tank was put on exhibition in Trafalgar square toward the end of November. It was a real tank, destined to go to the firing line as soon as its money making career was over. Two girl cashiers were installed inside, and it was announced that if any one would come to Trafalgar square established its power as a money maker that there stascribe for war bonds in fivepound lots or the 15-shilling and six-penny tour. war saving certificates, these would be stamped to show they had been bought at the Tank Bank.

were placed alongside the tank, and a certain amount of advertising was done, but the organizers of the show never expected how great would be their success. The first day they took in \$40,000; the next day \$63,000, and the next \$125,000, and then there was no doubt the idea had caught on. For the fortnight the Tank Bank was in Trafalgar square it became one of the sights of London. Parents brought their children to buy a few of the cheaper certificates; employers organized campaigns among their men and marched them down at the noon hour with bands to invest their money; the theatrical profession, of course, saw the beauty of the idea and were photographed in picturesque credit of his own community. positions filling out forms requesting allot-

The tale was told of the canny Scotchman who said, as he was going to buy war tell. Yon Tank Bank puts on a wee stamp that ma' worth guid siller yet," apparently in the spirit of the collector of rare postage stamps, and there can be no doubt that the novelty of the idea brought out hundreds of pounds of small savings that would never have found their way through the ordinary paign. postoffice into the government coffers.

A second tank was enlisted in the service, and was sent on peregrinations through the city. It was announced that if any firm would subscribe \$250,000 this wandering tank | \$360,000.

souvenirs thronged the open spaces around the barriers; investors formed long queues; military bands played stirring music, and well known men were hoisted to the top of the tank to make speeches. The first week the Tank Bank was doing

business it took in not much under \$1,600,000, but the second week it captured over \$15,500,-000, and it had by this time so thoroughly it was determined to send it on a provincial

Since then the great industrial cities of England have been visted and at the date of writing the amount collected has been A few captured guns and other war relics not far short of \$100,000,000. This has been achieved partly by appealing to the local rivalry, which is so large a feature in the life of the English provinces. On the Royal Exchange in London, for example, is a huge board on which the chief towns of England with their populations are inscribed. Against them day by day is placed the amounts given the Tank Bank by each center, and the Manchester cotton broker or the Birmingham munition maker, called to town on business, sees that the openhandedness of his home town is on record in the empire's financial center. Similiar posters attract his attention

Still more important, however, are the sums enticed from the hiding places of the less wealthy classes. The government, for sound financial reasons, would rather have the saver of \$2,500 invest it in the war loan bonds, he thought he might as well get on than leave it in the savings bank, and there them the Tank Bank stamp, for "Ye no can are still hoards of golden sovereigns tucked are still hoards of golden sovereigns tucked away in the proverbial stocking in the more remote districts that are doing no good to anybody. Many instances have occurred of these being rifled to take up Tank Bank bonds, and the number of the small investors has been one of the features of the cam-

Some of the more important totals vet recorded are: Manchester, \$22,250,000; Birmingham, \$21,500,000; Bradford, \$9,600,-000; Newcastle, \$9,000,000, and Southampton

## Right to the Point

reminder as to who represents that state in Washington.

in these unpleasant times. Minneapolis Tribune: While every-

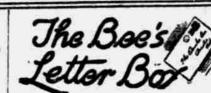
good for the army, along comes the government with a threat to commandeer all the prunes for the soldiers. New York Worl1: Every soldier on

sage to his comrades that there will give a fresh edge to their fighting Louisville Courier-Journal: In

current photodrama, it is said, "the soul of a woman is laid bare." A last resort, no doubt, inasmuch as pre-vious photodramas have laid bare everything but her soul.

Louisville Courier-Journal: British transports since the beginning of the war have carried 11,000,000 troops safely "for long or short voyages" with a loss of only 2,000, due to the sinking of nine vessels. Does Ger-Baltimore American:

mania or Britannia rule the waves? seems to have sunk a lot of money in spy propaganda in this country. The they cost more, which is probably a is that there is no way after payment reason why they were not in more has been made of enforcing the delivery of the goods



Omaha, Feb. 18 .- To the Editor of At the April primaries The Bee: At the April primaries there is to be submitted to the voters of Omaha the question of calling a home rule charter convention. It seems to me this subject has not received the publicity it deserves. have asked a number of voters who are generally familiar with what is going on if they knew of this fact and have only found one who had ever dered to do something glorious."—Detroit heard of the proposition and he was one who had been instrumental in having the council submit the ques

I am interested in having Omaha come under the home rule provision of the state constitution. I know what a difficulty we must face every two years in trying to pursuade the legislature to grant to us needed legshould be capable of knowing what we want and of securing it for ourselves without asking the legislature. We can do this if we adopt a home rule charter.

The former attempt to adopt a home rule charter was defeated because the charter convention introduced much new matter on which the people of the city were divided. I propose this time that the convention do nothing of that kind. It should organize and then submit to the voters of Omaha the present charter under which the city is operating. It should introduce no new matter of any kind. Our people are reasonably united in support of the charter that we have By a formal vote of the people this may be adopted by the people, contains within itself the means by which the people may themselves amend it and which they will no doubt do as necessity requires from time to time. L. J. QUINBY.

Against Spring Shooting.

Stuart, Neb., Feb. 16 .- To the Edi tor of The Bee: I saw in the Letter Box of The Bee dated February 11 an article written by V. A. Bradshaw of Geneva, Neb., urging us to write to our congressmen to have the federal law prohibiting spring shooting repealed in this state, setting forth in his argument that it is a good method to use in conservation of meat. Now, Mr. Editor, to me that would

our food administrator has just passed

I have hunted ducks and chickens all my life and know the federal law as it now is in force is the best law ever enacted to conserve our game birds (which is meat). By all means,

Law Still in Effect. Deshler, Neb., Feb. 15 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Some years ago our great government passed a law forpidding the killing of migratory birds —i. e., geese, ducks, brants, etc.—after January 1 until the following fall. Now our great state of Nebraska says we can pursue and kill for our personal use said above birds up to April Each spring I am begging you for advice—not for myself alone, but many others who do not want to do anything to engross our great nation. However, under our food conserva-tion advice we are all striving to save. Should they allow the shooting of game birds legally in this great time of need it might, and would be, a great help. Our honored food administrator advised us to eat rabbits as a meat. Now I eat rabbits until I cannot look a rabbit in the face. If I could legally have some duck soup to take the rabbit taste out of my mouth it would be a favor never to be forgotten. Thanking you in advance for the legal information through

the law. O. A. RICHEY.
Ans.—The federal game law which forbids the shooting of migratory wild fowl, and especially aquatic, or water, fowl, during the spring months is still in effect. It is illegal to kill ducks of any kind, geese, brant or waders, such as snipe, in the closed season, which includes the spring months.

Wife-How did Mr. Bilkins manage to pass that examination which you failed in? Husband-Bilkins took his two little boys with him and the boys coached him. They

Agent-This vacuum bottle will keep any-

The Boe's

be like killing the goose that laid the golden egg, for every time you killed an old hen duck in the spring you kill a whole brood of young ducks would be grown during the summer season for fall use. By all means let us uphold the federal law as it is.
It is the best law ever enacted

for the conservation of meat. Why, a ruling forbidding us to kill any of our domestic hens this time of the

let us keep it in force. H. H. EVERETT,

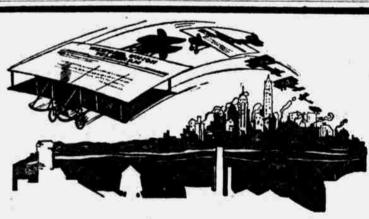
your paper, as the advice will reach many like myself who want to know

## SMILING LINES.

Tommy-This American fellow does not appear to be at all moved by the slaughter in the trenches. Second Tommy-Of course not. He's one more American.

thing hot or cold for seventy-two hours.

Mr. Tipples—Don't want it. If I have



## Speedways of Communication

The million and a half miles of wire in the Western Union System are the speedways of communication open day and night. Fifty thousand employes are trained in their work of assisting the direction of the enormous business of a mighty nation. The mature efficiency of 67 years is the value of this organization in these times of stress.

## WESTERN UNION

Telegrams-Day Letters-Night Letters-Cablegrams-Money Transferred by Wire

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

## THE OMAHA BEE INFORMATION BUREAU

	wasningt	on, D. C.					
Enclosed find a	2-cent stamp,	for which	you	will	please	send	n

11		 ۰
1	Street Address	
	City	

City..... State..... State. 

las founded in Washington, D. C. 1916—Secretary Lansing informed Austrian charge that United States stood : . mly for right of merchant vessels to carry guns for defense.

1917—Major General Frederick
Funston U. S. A., died at San Antonio, Tex. Born at New Carlisle, O., November 9, 1865.

peal for 1,000,000 new members.

President Wilson called for full re

ports of the army and navy strength.

Germans rushed British positions south of Le Transloy after destroying

The Day We Celebrate.

Myron L. Learned, attorney, born

Joseph Barker, insurance man, born in 1877.

William F. Wappich, attorney-at-

Adelina Patti (Baroness Ceder-strom) born in Madrid 75 years ago

Just 30 Years Ago Today The recent warm spell has started the geese north.

One Year Ago Today in the War. American Red Cross issued an ap-A dispatch received from Jacksonville, Fla., tells of the arrival there



General Henry Sinclair Horne, British commander on western front, of the party of excursionists from born 57 years ago.

Newcomb Cariton, president of the
Western Union Telegraph company,
born at Elizabeth, N. J., 49 years ago.

Kendall, Weineke and Kirby of the Omaha Amateur Athletic club will attend the spring meetings of athletes in Chicago and St. Louis and take part in different trails of skill.

This Day in History.

1807—Admiral Duckworth, with eight British war vessels, made the daring passage of the Dardanelles and appeared before Constantinople.

1864—Order of the Knights of Pyth-The mission at Trinity cathedral is to consist of a series of lectures to men. Rev. Dean Gardner will offi-

Dr. L. A. Merriam lectured to the students of the Omaha Commercial college. The doctor had for his sub-ject, "Evolution, or the New Thought of the Nineteenth Century."

The Omaha Amateur Athletic club gives a grand dress ball at Ma- of her two daughters is sonic hall on the evening of March 1. Servine of Oakland, Neb.

## Around the Cities

Chicago is slowly waking up to the necessity of checking the crime wave. Various civic and religious bodies are prodding the police and pressing for greater energy in running down the ighwaymen, safe crackers and crooks of minor grade operating boldly in the

Chicago experts differ much on the quantity of whisky in stock in town. The quantity in bond is deemed enough for two years, unless the de-mands of neighboring dry beits ex-ceed expectation. Private stocks range two to six years' supply, measured on a narrowing scale and broad-

ening prices. The battle against gas price reduction in Chicago, begun in 1911, moves with snail-pace through the courts. The present or temporary rate is 80 cents per thousand cubic feet. The city insists on a 70-cent rate. Nearly seven years were used up in clearing the judicial forum for a trial on that

issue, which is now set for April 8. Over at Minneapolis last Monday daughter, son-in-law, nine grandchildren and a great grandchild helped to celebrate the 104th birthday nniversary of Grandma Peterson. Grandma was not very well, but im-bibed the spirit of the occasion and enjoyed herself. Toward evening twilight as the guests departed and the 104 candles burned low, grandma closed her eyes and quickly sank into the sleep that knows no waking. One of her two daughters is Mrs. Alfred

#### State Press Comments Hastings Tribune: Men don't smile as much in Nebraska as they did be-

fore the first day of last May. Plattsmouth Journal: Camouflage is nothing new at our house. We've been putting milk in the cream

pitcher for years. Norfolk Press: Senator Hitchcock fought Wilson before the primaries, he fought him in the Baltimore convention, and has fought him ever since. In the matter of supporting the administration it is about an even break between Hitchcock and kaiser.

States and therefore barred from participating in politics, Charlie Bryan announces that it is possible that he may file for the democratic nomination for governor at the primaries to be held this summer. There is, however, one Arthur Mullen still at large who is liable to prove somewhat of a stumbling block in the way of the ambitious "Brother Charlie."

Falls City Journal: Bakers' bread with a 30 per cent substitute of white corn flour is an improvement on the old style of extra refined wheat flour as the new bread appears to have more body and does not gum up on one's teeth in sort of a dough ball as fresh wheat bread from a town bake shop used to do. A number of the substitutes are an improvement, but trouble general use

## Wall Street Journal: Wisconsin troops aboard Tuscania should be a

Brooklyn Eagle: The Overman bill vould call for a superman. Let us stick to the wisdom of the fathers and be happy, or as happy as we can be

one is insisting that nothing is too

Beatrice Express: With John G. the Tuscania on reaching the Ameri-Maher in the service of the United can lines in France will carry a mes-

For a Home Rule Charter.

Winnie couldn't get her doll to sit up as she wanted it and after many vain at-tempts she banged it down, exclaiming: "Oh! I wish I belonged to a family that

anything worth drinking I don't want to

keep it seventy-two hours .- Boston Tran-

"The labor shortage has given my nephew

some new views on life."
"Huh?"
"He thought everything went by pull.
But the other day he went out and got a
job as street sweeper on his own merits,
something he hadn't thought it possible to do."-Louisville Courier-Journal. "How does your boy like life in the

Mr. Styles-My dinner coat needs a buton, Julia. Please attend to it today. Mrs. Styles-But I can't tell your dinner coat from your breakfast jacket, dear, "Why, the breakfast jacket has eggs on it and the dinner coat gravy."-Yonkers

Statesman. "What did your landlady mean by telling me she had a bone to pick with me?"
"Don't know, unless it was an invitation
up to dinner."—Browning's.

### THE FLAG.

Stars of white in a field of blue, Bars of white and red, Symbolic of our country, To save, has caused bloodshed Freedom speaks when it unfuris

Protection within its folds

And loyalty upholds. Bars of white and bars of red. Stars in a field of blue; Do you know what it has done And what it means to you? This banner should remind us. Reverential always be,

For it has made America A land of liberty.

Stars of white in a field of blue. Bars of red and white, In conflict will it enter When only for the right; In the midst of combat And enemy try to sever. The Stars and Stripes will keep unfurled-Stars and Stripes "Never!"
Surrender in battle—"Never!"
BELLEVUE.

#### BALLAD OF THE UNSUCCESSFUL.

We are the toilers from who God barred The gifts that are good to hold. We meant full well and we tried full hard, And our families were manifold.

Were a milistone dragging them down Yea, we had to sweat for our brother's sin And lose the victor's crown. The seeming able, who all but scored. From their teeming tribe we come: What was there wrong with us, O God That our lives were dark and dumb?

And we are the clan of those whose kir

The men ten talented, who still Strangely missed of the goal, Of them we are; it seems thy will To harrow some in soul. We are the sinners, too, whose just Conquered the higher claims; We sat us prone in the common dust And played at the devil's games.

We are the hard luck folk who strove Zealously, but in vain; We lost and lost, while our comrades throve. And still we lost again. We are the doubles of those whose way

Was festal with fruits and flowers Body and brain we were sound as they, But the prizes were not ours. A mighty army our full ranks make, We shake the graves as we go; The sudden stroke and the slow heartbreak

They both have brought us low And while we are laying life's sword aside, Spent and dishonored and sad, Our epitaph this, when once we have died; "The weak lie here, and the bad."

We wonder if this can be really the close, Life's fever cooled by death's trance; And we cry, though it seem to our dearest "God, give us another chance!"
RICHARD BURTON.

University of Minnesota.

Burning Intense. Face Disfigured. In Five Weeks Cuticura Completely Healed.

"I was troubled with eczema which started in a mild pimply form. It grew worse until my body, head and face were a mass of sore eruptions. The itching and burning was so intense that I irritated it

by scratching, until my

clothing aggravated the eruption. I suffered untold agony and my face was disfigured. "A friend told me to try Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and I began to use them. In five weeks I was complete healed." (Signed) F. M. Twinam, 316 S. Second St., Columbus, O.

Cuticura Soap cleanses and purifier and the Ointment soothes and heals. Sample Each Free by Mail. Address post card: "Cutleura, Dept. H, Boston." Sold everywhere. Soap 25c. Ointment 25 and 50c