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THE BEE'S SERVICE FLAG

Mother's day carries the finest sentiment of

Birds of a feather-the city hall gang and the court house ring.

Our British cousins are getting so they can do the Hobson "plugging" trick quite neatly.

Get busy now, Messieurs Commissioners. Greater Omaha challenges you to do your best.

With the turnover of the city hall, the presare on the supply of unskilled labor in Omaha sould be noticeably relieved.

The women want in on the peace negotiations. s won't start a fight over that, however, until re have finished our fight with the kaiser.

Be very careful not to put too much credence tales about German weakness coming from erlin. These usually are but transparent camou-

Sermanism. He could mention some other hydenated newspapers overlooked by Mr. Burleon if he wanted to.

Whatever the motive behind Gutzon Borgexposure of the aircraft fall-down, replaceent of the head of the aircraft board and aptment of a new chief of aviation already ought about testify to the fact that he hit the

According to the hyphenated World-Herald, ryode who alludes to Senator Hitchcock's rotrecord of kaiser-coddling and pro-Germanmust be counted among his "business comre and personal and political enemies." at's the answer that always comes when there

Vegetable Fats as Foods.

Another of the important things we have med since entering the school of necessity is o food value of vegetable fats. For many gentions we had followed nature's kindly lead of relied on animals to furnish us the fats we ed. It is an axiom of biologists that nature wided the whale and the seal for the inhabiats of polar regions, the various meat animals those whose good fortune set them within the perate zone, and seeds and nuts to furnish and fats for the dwellers under the tropics. reage and increased demand incident to the have combined to enforce a readjustment of schedule to a greater extent than has been d. In the United States the consumption table oils has enormously increased, within last two years. For example, while we are the orld's largest producer of cotton seed oil, in le last year we imported \$1,210,000 worth of nia material. Our total imports of vegetable oils or the year totaled \$75,000,000, of which almost alf came from the Philippines. This includes secondut oil and copra, soya bean, peanut and to the daily dietary of the people. The animal to we once consumed are being saved for the

on W. Wattles, United States

eministrator for Nebraska, t of the Omaha & Council

eet Rallway company, born

"MOTHER'S DAY."

In all the world's history no people has paid greater deference to its mothers than have the Americans. Whatever of sanctity and affection, honor and love, can be bestowed on that supreme function of womanhood has been expressed in unmistakeable mariner. It is the generous tribute of enlightened manhood and equally elevated womanhood that puts the mother on a pedestal apart and endows her with attributes withheld from all others. Appreciating this, we must approach the observation of Mother's Day this year with greater admiration for the matrons of America, young and old, than ever. Tender and true, loving and gentle, clinging to the highest ideals of the home, these women have risen to the heights of sacrifice and have proven themselves worthy of that devotion which led us into the great war. Mother has bidden her boy Godspeed and sent him forth to war. She has hidden the anxiety of a loving heart behind a smile of pride as she has watched her son swing by in the khaki line, and in her prayers she has asked the God of All first that the cause of right be triumphant. No army ever went out with greater sustenance of love and affection than has gone with our boys across the seas; never have gentle hands wrought with more of determination that home comforts might surround the young men who are holding back and overcoming the terrible foe. Mother has always had her part in war, but in none has she been sweeter or grander than in this. One day especially set apart for formal recognition of what she is on every day of the year is fitting but inadequate.

Civilization is Gaining.

An event has just transpired on which the public is to be greatly congratulated. Principals of a proposed prize fight have called off the affair and have abandoned its pursuit because of lack of public interest in the contest. That this can be so at a time when man is arousing his combativeness to its utmost pitch, when millions of peaceably inclined and carefully nurtured youth are being taught the art of war, which means fighting in its most savage form, and when a portion of this training consists of instruction in boxing, shows how civilization is gaining. We will fight for what is right, giving lives and treasure wthout stint for the preservation of a principle, but when it comes to pouring out our golden coin to reward a couple of professional bruisers we turn aside. In times of peace. when some men have more money and leisure time than they otherwise could spend, a portion of it may be given to the prize ring, but not now. The public has other fish to fry, and if Willard, Fulton or any others of that lot want to fight let them get into khaki and go to the front.

Shying at Revenue Legislation.

Back of the reluctance of the democratic leaders in congress to enter on a program of further revenue legislation stands the specter of the fall elections. Only for this reason is it suggested that the matter be deferred until next December. Nobody questions the need for more Colonel Roosevelt mentions the Hearst revenue, nor the desirability of certain amendments to the present law. At the beginning of the present session of congress certain specific changes were suggested as necessary, and were agreed to by the committees of both house and senate in informal consideration of the points involved. No other progress has been made. In January Senator Smoot submitted in the senate a substitute for the present law, which had commendation of the closest students of revenue problems. It has never emerged from the committee, but now that the secretary of the treasury has asked for action, the Smoot bill may be heard from. Claude Kitchin, chairman of the ways and means committee, voices a threat that if revenue legislation is taken up he will see to it that all profits are wiped out. This is in keeping with his statement of last summer that he would vote for the war tax bill with his eyes shut. He did, to the extent that the big revenue measure was entirely rewritten in the senate, and muddled in conference, so that in one or two vital points it defeats its own purpose. Experience has shown the weaknesses of the law and sober judgment should be applied in their correction. The majority party in congress must face its responsibilities.

Factory Labor For the Farms.

In the east, where the industrial adjustment is more on the side of the factory than on the farm, various expedients have been suggested by which something of a balance may be established, and sufficient help be provided to carry on farm work. In Connecticut what seems to be a most practical plan has been put into operation. Under it large employers of labor in factories or similar industries have obligated themselves to furnish a certain quota for farm work. Men are sent from the shops to the farms on squads, the arrangement being that each employer will keep a certain number of men steadily engaged in farm work, sending them in relays. The wage question has been adjusted on a basis that is entirely satisfactory to the men, they getting their regular pay at the rate contracted for in the shops, while the farmer pays to the employer the wages for farm hands. This plan is strongly commended by the service bureau of the Department of Labor.

Views, Reviews and Interviews Some Reminiscent Thoughts Suggested by Our Recent

following paragraphs:

critics of the leading French journals.

a profession. He studied for a time with

Mr. Harry Aberly, then removed to Cali-

fornia, where he continued his studies with

Miss Jaynes Putnam and at the art school

the art exhibit held here last year. I saw

him in Washington in January, at which time

he told me he was doing some work for the

administration in connection with the air-

plane program and I have no doubt he will

German Courtesy a Myth

gave an extremely interesting talk on avia-

A few days ago I was present in a com-

"Courtesy among aviators at the front is

The story is a delightful one-so de-

grand headquarters and find out if such an

ncident really took place. I have just re-

the story that French aviators were present at Guynemer's burial inside the German

May I ask for the courtesy of your col-umns of this letter and cable? And I would

also like to avail myself of this opportunity

to request our American friends never to

give any credence to stories of German cour-

tesy or German generosity, even when re-

lated in perfect good faith. German gener-

osity and German courtesy, we know by this time, are pure myths.—Stephane Lauzanne in

People and Events

American money now in circulation is said

to be almost \$50 per head. In circulation, re-

member. The average purse is nothing more

Three million dollars' worth of marine

glasses have been donated to the Navy de-

partment by individual owners, who had

special means of seeing their duty and do-

A state registration of friendly aliens just

completed in Minnesota shows a total of

180,000 men and women thus classified

About 10,000 alien Germans were registered

by federal authorities. Both records are to

be indexed by voting divisions for the pur-

pose of preventing voting of persons not

Louisville is quite chesty over its topping record of subscriptions to the Liberty loan,

totaling 180 per cent. A creditable record, surely, but how small it appears beside that

of Antioch, Neb., which went over the top of its quota eight fold. Still, the Blue Grass

metropolis is at liberty to take a little julep

May day in Detroit and other Michigan

over to facilitate the tapering-off process

"You can absolutely and formally deny

ceived the following reply:

New York Times.

than temporary shelter.

ing it quickly.

citizens.

for the feeling.

lines.

situation before the finish.

open the floodgates of light on the whole

Cietor Rosewater

Municipal Election Campaign Looking backward, the upheaval that fest. I have many of the original documents get for the municipal year carries werturned the political equilibrium of the still in my possession.

city hall took place with far less excitement and turmoil, with smaller expenditure of cam- humor? My attention was attracted to a re- gating \$40,000,000. Still, extraordipaign ammunition, with much less fight on view in a London paper of what was called nary efforts were necessary both sides, than has characterized any pre- in the headline "An American crook play," in over the city's quota of third Liberty vious contest of this kind that I recall, which the critic declares, "Miss Kyrle Bellew Mayor "Jim" is unhorsed after riding in the is the outraged heroine-at her best when saddle for twelve years, a record unequaled doped." Is this a delicately scented bouquet here in Omaha and approached only by that or a comouflaged brickbat? of Mayor Frank E. Moores, who held his own against all combattants for nearly nine years and then was knocked out, not by his Borglum, the noted sculptor, who has also political enemies but by the scythe of the Grim Reaper. I believe all who are competent to judge will agree that the campaign that first landed Mayor Moores in the office was the fiercest municipal campaign ever waged in this city and when the smoke of ferred, compiled by Robert B. Peattie as battle cleared it was found that Moores a souvenir of Omaha of 1892, to which a had won out with a slender majority of only 219 votes to the good. Even after the returns were counted and canvassed the fight on him continued unabated and he was not allowed to take or to hold his official power except through a step-by-step struggle-in the courts, at each turn of which, however, he was successful as a result of indomitable energy and persistence. Mayor "Jim" has had his troubles and plenty of them, yet they were as nothing compared with the difficulties with which Mayor Moores was successively confronted and embarrassed-I should say harrassed. I suppose these are the stages all growing and progressive cities have to go through and I take it to be a fair assumption that the new mayor of Omaha will have a much smoother road to travel than his

Almost as bitter a city campaign was the one pulled off two years before that— the A. P. A. campaign of 1895. In that contest The Bee espoused a "citizens' ticket' fused with the democratic nominees, while the World-Herald championed the A. P. A. slate, including the republican candidate for mayor. The onslaught which The Bee made upon the secret political order, exposing its inner workings, while failing to elect our candidates, was nonetheless eminently successful in sounding the deathknell of the A. P. A. in this community. That famous campaign makes too long a story to tell in detail now, but the key to it is contained in this incident: In the early stages of the fight, the law firm of Churchill, Covell & Winter, whose members had been leading lights in the A. P. A., moved out of its offices in the New York Life building, as it was then called, and the rooms thus vacated were rented by another law firm, Mahoney, Minnehan & Smyth, all Catholics-the firm into which Ed. P. Smith just elected mayor soon after entered. When they came to take possession of their new quarters they found great heaps of papers and documents stacked up in the pany where an American newspaper man fireplace, presumably ready to be burned, but to which by neglect the match had not yet tion at the front, and he related the following been put. Cursory examination disclosed that story: these papers were the records and archives of the A. P. A. councils of which the out- so great that when Guynemer was killed the going lawyers had been officers, and which, German 'aces' invited their French colleagues for the first time, now were spread before to be present at the burial behind the German the eyes of the uninitiated. The "find" was front. The invitation was accepted; the scooped up and put into baskets and carried French came in their airplanes, were present over to our office, furnishing us with the at the funeral service, exchanged salutes with corroborative documentary evidence, proving the Germans, and when about to turn back all the charges of invisible government which were surprised to see that the German aviahad been layed against the order. The bombs tors, with gracious hospitality, had had their were exploded over the enemy through The tanks filled with gasoline." Bee in the campaign that followed with deadly effect and the reverberations were heard lightful that certain doubts arose in my mind from one end of the country to the other wherever A. P. A. activities had been mani-

Freemasonry of the Sea

There has always been among seamen of all nationalities a sort of tacit agreement for mutual protection against pirates and other peculiar dangers to which those are exposed who go down to the sea in ships. By a mutual understanding among nations there has never been need for extradition in the case of pirates, the common enemies of the human race, who recognize no laws written or unwritten. They may be convicted and punished wherever they are caught, without regard to nationality:

When Germany restored piracy to the seas through her submarines, she expected that our merchant seamen and those of our allies would be terrorized, and that they would refuse to man our ships. And yet it is asserted that not one American or English seaman has refused to sign up for another voyage, even though he might already have been torpedoed. These men whose work is so obscure and whose risks are constantly so great are worthy of all honor. They if lustrate the spirit which Emerson has described:

So night is grandeur to our dust So near is God to man, When duty whispers low, "Thou must," The youth replies, "I can!"

A writer in the Atlantic Monthly says of

hese brave men: It is they who have gathered the great armies of the allies from the end of the earth. They man tugs, salvage the wounded and convoy the well. They have been called upon for every sort of service—to navigate unlighted craft, zigzag-

ging at full speed, day and night, through dense fog, without blowing a whistle; to

bring their torpedoed craft into port, expecting every moment to have her sink be-neath them. Some day the historian, and after him the poet, will tell their story.

British seamen under the leadership of British seamen under the leadership of towns, just installed in the dry belt, differed Havelock Wilson, in order to show their detestation of pirates, have determined to boy- May 1, 1917. Remember the date? Enough cott the Germans after the war, unless they of the souse of the evening before remained establish a true democracy and refuse longer to obey the autocratic commands of the and mitigate the shock of parting with the kaiser. And it will not be easy for those dark-brown taste. Detroit records as one who comprehend the real meaning of the commendable improvement the disappear-

for taking such action .- Minneapolis Journal, streets, despite the nearness of Walkerville.

Louisville Courier-Journal: bill to lid the L. W. W. should go into the federal statute books as a companion measure to the bill to squeich

Minneapolis Tribune: The Prussian war lords will please observe that the billions invested in the third Liberty bonds is not stage money like a good deal of the stuff that is floating

around in Germany. New York Herald: Insurance on steamships and cargoes passing through the war zone was above 6 per cent last August, has been 3 per cent of late, and now a reduction to 2

New York World: England, having doubled the tax on liquor, has now fixed the price of whisky, gin and brandy to the consumer at a figure below that reviously prevailing. The English theory seems to be that consumers of liquor, like other con-

Around the Cities

The traffic squad of St. Louis hereafter will be made up of six-footers or better.

For the first time in its history Boston has inaugurated the budget system of municipal finance. .The oud-\$27,066,774.

St. Louis firms are working over-Who says the Englishman has no sense of time on government contracts aggrebonds.

Topeka's municipal employes must show some speed in helping to win the war or risk separation from the meal Subscriptions to some of the nation's war bonds or stamps make for The spotlight now playing on Gutzon safety on the job.

Sloux City notes with moderate glee devoted his talents to aeronautics, attaches that the county jail feeding bill tum-interest to the fact that a turning point in bled down to \$178 for April, the lowhis artistic career came while he was a resi- est monthly bill in 15 years. This is dent of Omaha in the early '90s. I have a one instance of diminished business little booklet to which I have already re- that merits general applause thereabouts.

In spite of the popularity of apartment houses as a labor-saving chapter on art is contributed by Rev. Joseph shelter, Minneapolis sticks to the de-T. Duryea and from his inventory and detached home by a large najority. Perscription of the Lininger gallery I take the mits issued during the last eight-year period show 16,075 single dwellings, "Of American painters there are J. G. Borglum (13), Mrs. J. G. Borglum (8), 1.003 duplex buildings and 997 apartment houses.

"Mr. and Mrs. Borglum have been resi-Jitneys persist in radiating gas and trouble in Minneapolis. To the street car people the scouting flivvers look dents of this city, and at the several exlike trespassers on the streets and hibitions much of their work has been their operations send shooting pains presented to the public. They have exto the corporation treasury. City auhibited in the Paris salons and their picthorities are given to understand that tures have attracted the attention of the while they permit the jitneers to lap up the cream nothing letter than skim milk service can be expected "Mr. Borglum was educated in Nebraska. He began to draw when a boy. Followfrom street cars. ing his bent, he early made his choice of

Out of the Ordinary Sugar is extracted from 16 varieties

f palms that grow in Cevlon. Not far from Fresno, Cal., a summer home has been constructed un-

in San Francisco, Mr. Virgin Williams preceptor. Mr. G. W. Lininger sent him der ground. abroad for further instructions. Both these The Arabian Nights stories were artists give abundant promise of distinctranslated into English from the Arabic by Antonie Galland, a French This is a reminder that Gutzon Borglum savant and traveler, who died in 1715. made his reputation first as a painter before He obtained them in their original form during his visit to the east as taking up sculpture. Mr. Borglum has been an attache of the French embassy at a frequent visitor to Omaha and he sent a Constantinople. number of his models and other pieces to

The term "pocket handkerchief" is one of the queerest in our language. At first it meant kerchief (courve thef), a covering for the head; then it became handkerchief, a covering for the head carried in the hand, and ering for the head held in the hand and kept in the pocket.

MOTHER'S DAY.

Ever working, ever toiling, With no thought of her own rest, Brooding over little children, That their lives may hold the best, Giving up her rest and pleasure, That they may in comfort stay, Watching, praying, weeping, yearning. Every day is mother's day.

Into other lives and futures Do the mothers their own pour, With a reckless fond profusion Draining their own more and more, Careless if their own lives nourish Other lives, and they must pay: Mother love is sacrificial— Every day is mother's day.

So why should not this great nation Stop a moment to give thought To a love whose mighty stience Is with its salvation fraught? Mothers give years of remembrance-Never does it pass away;

Then why not this love requiting -Baltimore American.

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"How is that?"
"When he attaches himself to a persis exceedingly difficult to shake h

ff."-Baltimore American. Nixon-I suppose your married life one grand, sweet song.

Newpop—Well, since our baby came, it's been more like an opera; full of grand marches, with loud calls for the suther

every night .- Boston Transcript. "When the war is over there will be great many changes in this country." the spectacled guest,
"That's right," replied the landlord of
the Petunia tavern. "For one thing, about
fifteen or twenty secretaries of war in this

town will be left without anything to argue about."—Kansas City Star. "Oh, these days of anxiety and worry I wish they were over."
"Mere wishing won't make them go.
Why don't you do something? Buy a raft f ifberty bonds on the instalment plan."hicago Post.

"Why do the young lawyers hang around he courthouse?"
"In the hope of picking up a case, I suppose. You know a good many cases are thrown out of court."-Louisville Courer-Journal.

"Smith's exclamation when he found the "Why harrowing?"
"Because it was the cry of a lost sole."

"I hear that Bill has cut out the joy water entirely."
"Yes; he drinks nothing but plain reds now, but he wears yellow glasses to make him think it's champagne."—Boston Tran-

"Why didn't you join in the refrain! Tave you no affection or respect for our National Anthem?" "My friend, the way for me to show real respect for a song is not to try to sing it." -Chicago Post,

Little Brother-We'll play we're married ind you say you'll obey me. Little Sister—Can that caveman stuff

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IS A SLACKER WHY NOT JOIN US AND BE PROUD?

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J. T. YATES. Sovereign Clerk.

Arras district. soon to become a resident of Omana.

The new society game of "angling"
was given its formal introduction to by herself, measuring six inches from to tip to tip of the wings. igge, German submarine base ian coast, bombarded by Britsident signed bill appropriating 46,322 for support of the army to fiscal year 1918. We Celebrate, F. Moore of F. P. Kirkendall & m 1874.

Just 30 Years Ago Today

y Cabot Lodge, senator from busetts, born in Boston, 68 the Omaha people at the residence of n Alden Smith, senator from born at Dowagiac, Mich., 59 Colonel Chase. Miss Fannie Butterfield was hostess.

C. W. Baker left for two weeks' visit to his old home in Abbots-K. Toole, first state governor na, born at Savannah, Mo.,

town, Pa. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Mer-Ristory.

Conclusion of Vienna, the Austrian empire.

All tracts in the Crimean war, born Italy. Died in London.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Merritt and Miss Minnie Rosenthal celebrated the occasion of their intended departure for Europe by giving them a complimentary farewell reception. Pupils of Mrs. S. E. Clappe, assisted by Mr. E. Crapp and the Central ficials.

Charlialy. Died in London.

Quaint Bits of Life

Mrs. J. W. Noel left for Wichita. A Japanese is the inventor of a Kan, to make a short visit with her street sprinkler that distributes water sister, Mrs. William M. Dustin, who is so as to form advertisements on smooth pavements.

from one location to another they are southern China.

of address with the police.

When lack of funds prevented the erection of a new hospital at Palm Beach four women started in and raised nearly \$20,000 in a few days.

A Kansas woman last year. A Kansas woman last year caught than 300 bushels of grasshop- street car rails to increase their repers, and by drying them and selling siliency and increase their life when them for chicken feed cleared \$560. An insect of the Hercules variety,

All school teachers signing con-tracts in Oregon must subscribe to an eral years had had a rather precarious

Signposts of Progress Statistics show that 75,167,672 gross United States last year.

A patent has been issued for a twisted wire clothespin that is used in the same way as a wooden one. Millions of tons of coal actually in When residents of Cleveland move experts investigating the fields of

menting with perforating the webs of

laid on rigid foundations. Electrical apparatus taking current weighing three ounces, was able to support on its back a brick weighing by a French scientist to purify the more than a pound. A human being, if subjected to a proportionate weight, would be crushed.

Electrical apparature from a light socket has been invented by a French scientist to purify the air in a room by literally pumping it into a reservoir and washing it.

The war has greatly benefited the

oath of allegiance, it was announced existence. The year 1916-17 closed recently by the state superintendent with the warehouse empty, the stocks of schools. The oath will be similar having been disposed of with excepto that taken by the government of- tionally good profits.

Coal reserves in the south are sup-Charles H. Cleaves of Saco. Me., bas in his possession a wooden cantern and informal hop at the armory.

It is in the crimean war, born of the cleaves of Saco. Me., has in his possession a wooden cantern and informal hop at the armory.

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It is circular in shape, and is in perfect condition. There is not a crack thought that Kentucky has coal enough to supply the whole world for several generations.

Right to the Point

Washington Post: Naturally the boys at the front want cheerful letters from home to harmonize with the way they feel about it.

the German-American Alliance.

per cent is discussed. So much for the vaunted efficiency of the U-boat.

sumers, are entitled to protection against profiteering.

Brooklyn Eagle: A C. Townley of North Dakota's Nonpartisan league