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GERMANY'S WILY WORKMEN'S INSUR-Views, Reviews and Interviews Answering a question recently propounded at All Our Pressing War Problems Converge in the the close of one of his public talks, former Am-

One Over-Shadowing Problem of Ships the German system of pensions and old age and accident insurance so often paraded in this coun-My friend Mark Sullivan, editor of Col-1 what had been accomplished in Omaha by lier's Weekly, sends me special copy of a going to the commission plan of government try as a praiseworthy side of "kultur." Mr. Gerard is reported to have characterized all these little book just off the press, which he has response. Mr. Nicholson was gathering mainsurance schemes as merely plans to keep the captioned "Wake Up, America!" and which terial for a series of articles he had been Germans from emigrating. "By making them ought to help materially to wake us up to contributing to Scribner's magazine on "The our crucial need in this war which he demon- Spirit of the West," which have just come pay so many premiums," he declared, "the wage startes conclusively to be ships. In its short, this last article he touches upon the subject workers are tied to the soil and while not actually in a state of starvation they are always worknungent chapters he shows very clearly that of municipal government in western cities, the war we are fighting must be won on the citing Omaha as an example, dwelling upon This point ought to be driven home to our other side of the ocean 3,000 miles away, and the unreliabilility of a mere new form unless water, for the province of Massacan be won only by getting our soldiers over followed up with improved administration. people here in America that the benevolent there, and carrying our munitions and guns and aeroplanes across, and supplying our own soldiers and our allies with food and cloth-ing going over in a steady stream, and doing Council as \$1,800-a-Year Men," conveying big soldiers and our allies with food and cloth-ing going over in a steady stream, and doing care of the kaiser for the aged and infirm, the widows and orphans, is only part of his policy of militarism. The pension and insurance this in the face of an enemy whose submarines impression that it applies to present council, 1,000 pounds per week, erected in the funds in Germany are made up, roughly speakare constantly sinking our boats. He ex- and quoting Meredith Nicholson as saying "a ing, of contributions-a third from the employplains that our problems of coal and wheat citizen who is a close student of such maters, a third from the employes and a third from and munitions and men are really problems ters," as passing this comment on Omaha's of ships-that the order for coalless days experience: the public treasury. The enforced investment last winter, for example, would not have by the workman of a substantial portion of his aroused such resentment had it been under- higher grade of public servants, in fact we earnings, which would be forfeited should he stood that our trouble was not a coal short- merely elected men content to work for a age, but a congestion of goods clogging the lower salary and doubled and tripled their cease to be a German subject liable to military terminals, while waiting for ships to trans- pay. We still have \$1,800 men in \$4,500 jobs." duty, operates effectively to prevent him from port them to the other side, what ships we moving away. He himself thus pays the premhad being delayed because the coal needed to letter to Mr. Nicholson, printed in The Bee a half, though opposed by a quadruple steam up their machinery was choked up in in early March last, which was much more ium to insure his own prompt response to the the freight yards. All of this emphasizes true then than it is now, but which apparently captured 40,000 soldiers, carried 10 call to arms whenever it may come or to pension and indicates the truism, repeated in one form became startling only after it made the trip himself or family should he be crippled or killed or another by all the famous military com- to Indianapolis and thence into Scribner's manders of history, past and present, that magazine and back again to Omaha. success in war depends wholly upon safe while fighting in time of war or working at his and efficient lines of communication. Under this analysis, Germany's workmen's in-

Mr. Sullivan is particularly insistent that our greatest danger lies in fooling ourselves and gives some illuminating information which I think it worth while to quote:

"During 1917, the submarine destroyed 6,618,623 tons. During the same year, Great Britain's entire new building was but 1,163,474 tons. The next largest builder was ourselves; we turned out just about 1,000,000 tons. After these two, there are no countries that do enough shipbuilding to count in such totals as the submarine makes us deal in. All the other allies, France, Italy, Japan, and in addition to them, all the neutrals, Norway, Holland, Spain-all told, produced only 539,871.

"Add together all that was done by all the Allied countries and all the neutral countries, all the world outside of Germany and Austria, and you have but 2,703,345 tons. And the submarines destroyed just two and a half times as many.

"But the case is really worse than that. It is only the sinkings that are reported. The public is not informed of the ships which the submarines have incapacitated, which are towed limping to port, and which often turn out to be a more or less total loss. Nor is any account taken of the ships which are put out of commission through the normal operation of accident or other misadventure. This source of loss is greater now than during peace times, for ships are badly manned; they run without lights, and in the emergencies of war they take big chances. Nor is any estimate givenit would be hard to make an estimate-of the loss of service due to the slowness of operation forced upon ships by guarding against the submarine, the waiting for convoys, the low speed entailed when every ship must wait upon the slowest in the convoy, the inability to use some ports, the congestion of others.

"However, you grow desperate with trying to explain it with figures. What you feel like doing is to shout to Heaven that

Uncle Sam in Past Wars Beople who do work."-Birmingham

The first gun ever rifled in America was done at the celebrated Alger iron

ber of troops of the line was 7,244. On the eve of the beginning of our consisted of 6,744 men, exclusive of

he staff. The Enfield rifle, long the standard weapon of the British army, was transplanted to England by a son of Vermont, under whose superintend- that .-- Judge. ence the arms were made to a conclusion in the current number. In

The first muskets ever manufacured in America are believed to have been 500 stand of arms made by Hugh Orr, a gunsmith of Bridgechusetts Bay, about the year 1748. The provincial congress of New Here bursts out one of our Omaha news-

\$500, \$375 and \$250 for the first three powder mills, capable of making state The earliest reference to the manu-

facture of gunpowder in this country is found in an order of the general court of Massachusetts, dated June "While in theory we were to get a much 6, 1639, when Edward Rawson was

peter comes.' In the war with Mexico, the United Now this is a correct quotation from my States army, in less than a year and

force of the enemy, won 30 victories, fortified places, including the capital of the enemy, and extended our con-quests over the immense territory of Mexico and California.

DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES

Guest-You belong to one branch of our tost's family. I believe. Poor Relation-Yes; I belong to a branch

dramatization of his masterpiece and its de- that never had any plums on it.-Bouton ranscript. "My wife looks poorly, you think, doctor?"

"Yes, I do." "What do you think she needs?" "A new hat and a new dress."-Yonkers des Forges" was used as a text book for reading and translation as it was, I believe, Statesman. in most colleges and the study of it naturally

"That De Jones must be a wonderfully brave man. wards saw the piece played in German, called "Der Huttenbesitzer," and also read it in German, to say nothing of witnessing its "What makes you think so?" "Because in the course of a single day

German, to say nothing of witnessing its he defied the cook, flatly disobeyed his performance by the Kendalls four or five wife and builled the iceman."-Baltimore American.

"John, you're spending a lot of money

for cigars lately." "Yes, the government collects a nice tax on tobacco. It would be unpatriotic to cut down now on my smoking.—Louis-ville Courier-Journal.

"We used to hear a great deal about



DR. BENJ F BAILE SANATORIUS

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in the central west with separate buildings situated in their own ample grounds, yet entirely distinct, and rendering it possible to classify cases. The one building being fitted for and devoted to the treatment of non-contagious and non-mental diseases, no others

mitted: the

She-Would you love me any better if I had a million dollars? foundry in Boston, in 1834. At the commencement of our war with Mexico in 1846 the whole num-vou at all.-Boston Transcript.

Wife-Some Indian tribes have a voca-On the eve of the beginning of our second war with Great Britain, the regular army of the United States only of their own comfort.-Boston Globe.

> Nodd-I don't mind your borrowing romise from me, old chap, but please don't romise to pay me back. That hurts! Todd-My dear boy, I thought you knew ne well enough to know that I didn't mean

> > THE MOTHER'S GIFT.

(Baltimore American.) Within the temple gates of Israel stood A woman, past the season of youth's charms.

Yet proudest souled amidst the multitude. A new-born babe she carried in her arms.

Thus spake she: "Lord Jehovah, here I lift My heart in thanks for favor most divins And lay upon Thine altar my best gift-This man-child of my flesh; io, he is This ma.

To serve Thee in Thy temple and to lead Our race in harmony with Thee to dwell Thou hast so blest me, Lord; bless now this deed.

And this my gift, my son, my Samuel." granted 500 acres of land, "so as he Behold! today ten million mothers stand goes on with the powder, if the salt- With hearts upraised in tender pride and

prayer: white-souled host, a consecrated band, Offering their sacrifices everywhere.

The tiny babe that nestled at the breast. The barefoot lad of days long, long gone

by-These are their gifts, their dearest and their beat. To win renown, perhaps-perhaps, alas, to

die.

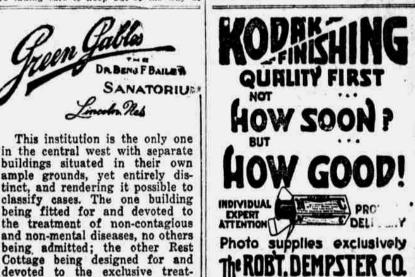
Yet, in the crucial moment, not to fail To add new luster to that glorious name, Which, while the memory of mortal shall prevail. Shall stand transcendent 'midst all deeda

(In sending these verses to the American Mrs. Fagan writes that she is proud be-yond words to be the wife of one of those yond noble Sammies over there.)



Common conse demands two important things in the conduct of a funeral-that it shall be conducted with proper displiit shall be conducted with proper dignity and that it shall be property priced. We are making it a rule to only charge for the exact services rendered

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on again after the war, if the same policy persists with the future rulers, to hold German subjects who might otherwise migrate to lands where the human life and human rights are more sacred.

surance helps explain the cessation of German

emigration except to such countries or colonies

as the German government sanctions. Some

ANCE SCHEMES.

bassador Gerard passes suggestive comment on

Making War on Newspapers.

Secretary McAdoo has asked House Leader Kitchin that he retract his unwarranted tirade against the press, brought out as a sequel to the president's appeal to congress to enact further revenue legislation. This is not a new practice with Mr. Kitchin; American newspapers are published under conditions unnecessarily onerous because of his attitude and that of some of his associates, in congress and the cabinet. The point is, how far does he represent the administration by his utterances and actions?

Because editors have analyzed and commented on backwoods statesmanship, a great industry has been submitted to regulations especially designed to hamper its operation. Sources of advertising have been cut off, depriving newspapers of legitimate revenue; burdensome regulations for circulation have been made, making the sale to subscribers more difficult; expenses of publication have been increased in many ways, the late order of the secretary of the treasury adding heavily to the freight on white paper, for example, forcing the newspapers to pay many thousands of dollars additional with no chance for passing the cost along to the consumer.

newspapers is inexcusable.

such system, we may be sure, will also be relied

trade in time of peace.

ing for low wages."

Even cider can be too "hard" for Nebraska.

The Forty-first would much rather be ordered to France than to Kansas.

The sweet girl graduate will now tell us just what this wicked old world must do to be saved.

The bolsheviki are again fighting among themselves, but it can not be over the spoils, for the Hun attended to that.

Readjusting the departments of city housekeeping ought to improve the service, even if it does engender a little heat in the process.

According to that report on the condition of the city hall building, it is up to a bunch of city commissioners pledged to a cleaner Omaha to begin cleanliness at home.

Pet names are already flying between the new occupants of the city hall, but as no one has yet called another "a dirty rat," the limit of personal safety is not reached.

Seventy thousand Omahans gave \$440,000 to the latest Red Cross in to convince the kaiser of what determination there is back of our war movement.

All this time the influential press of the coun

part of the credit.

People and Events In the matter of moisture Nebraska is

Railroad Manager McAdoo evidently re-

As a circulating medium of surpassing chestiness, the railroad pass throws all the pasteboards in the discard.

forward step of the horseless age.

vorries. Sleuths of the Twin Cities and Chicago are equally anxious for a hunch as to where the thieves hide the stolen cars.

Ironmaster" with the Kendalls, to whom it owed its popularity in this country rather than with Ohnet, to whom belongs the authorship and who should have at least a good



I observe a notice of the death a short

while ago, which at the time had escaped me,

of George Ohnet, the great French novelist,

known to us in America chiefly through the

lightful presentation by the Kendalls under

the name of "The Ironmaster." When I studied French in college Ohnet's "Le Maitre

gave a familiarity with the story. I after-

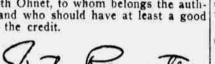
times, and each time it gained in charm and

well over the top.

industry.

American shoe factories are working over-

fascination. Ordinarily one conne : "The



ards summer vacationing as a non-essential

The "spotless town," a vision of yeseryear, comes nearer realization with each

Omaha cops are not alone in their auto

The prohibition of explosive fireworks for this year to forestall the plea of merchants being already stocked up. Let us see if the order stands and is really enforced without fear or favor.

Perhaps some of the German Red Cross money collected here in Nebraska to relieve the suffering of war victims in the Fatherland was sent hack here to help re-elect Senator Hitchcock in recognition of his valiant championship of the kaiser's bill to prohibit the export of arms. Who knows?

"Knee Deep in June."

June, compound of all the glories of the year, save the tints of autumn and the splendor of winter, is here, with its promise of "a summer of roses and wine." It well deserves the honor of perpetuating the name of Juno, mother of gods and chatelaine of Olympus. Wonderful skies, sunshine that blesses and enlivens, soft winds and floating clouds, deluging showers and magnificent rainbows make up the weather. Roses crown the floral efforts of spring, and all outfoors is an invitation and an inspiration to mankind. June connects the seedtime with the summer, and with its genial breath brings balm and nourishment to tender growing things, that they may withstand the heat Mother Nature must employ to bring into full perfection the fruits of the earth for man's sustenance. Through its days we pass from the uncertainty of spring's preparatory efforts into fierce days of summer's ermination. It is a time of transition, but the ocess is gentle, and we linger on the way, es deep in June," reluctant to see its beauties mass, although we know that it is to July and ugust we must look for fulfilment of all that is breshadowed in the time of roses. June holds out to us a cup, brimming with the wine of life;

let us drink deeply, and be glad we are living.

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One Year Ago Today in the War.

Italian War Mission received

house of representatives in Wash-

Former German counsul and 13 hers indicted in Chicago on charge

of trying to cause revolution in India. Provost Marshal General Crowder announced the completion of arrange-ments for the first draft registration.

The Day We Celebrate. George Rasmussen, vice president of the Nebraska Bridge Supply and Lumber company, born 1884. Arnold 8. Borglum of the Darlow

vertising agency, born 1869. Dr. Ewing Brown, physician, born

. Willard Howard Taft, wife o the former president of the United

ismarck to stop his press o, or serious results might

try has been giving the most loyal and effective support to the government in all its war activities. Millions of dollars in service have been donated by the newspapers, while job printers, sign painters and others have been paid in cash. Just what the purpose in continuing its punishment may be is not clear, but the attitude of the democrats in congress and in the cabinet toward the

"Eddie" Rickenbacher, Eagle.

When Raoul Lufbery fell from the air, victim to a German "flying tank," the allies mourned a hero, and America lost its foremost flyer. But from the new army has arisen one who bids fair to fill the gap left by the great "ace." We knew him in Omaha as a lad with smut on his face, grease on his jumpers and grime on his hands,

a tinkerer with the refractory internal economy of the casual automobile. Now and then he might have been noted flitting about the streets in a borrowed car, with considerable disdain for speed rules. His craving for this sort of thing led him to the pits at the race track, from which depth he soon was elevated to the seat of the mechanician. This was but a step on the way to the driver's seat, and that was soon covered. Then, in the fiercest competition ever noted by the sporting world, companion and rival of champions, and finally a champion himself, "Eddie" Rickenbacher drove his thundering speed machine to victory over many a track. When the war broke out he offered himself as a flyer, but was taken on first as a driver for a general. This could not hold him, and in time he bloomed forth with the wings and bar of an officer of the flying corps. Now, the day's press report from France is incomplete without an account of Rickenbacher's latest exploit. The Omaha boy whose smutty face is still well recalled, is now an eagle, whose beak and talons are well known to the Hun. He is winning his right to fame, and a place alongside that of Raoul Lufbery.

Claude Kitchin is not one of Mr. Wilson's valued assets, at least not at this writing.

the submarine is beating the builders at the rate of two to one: that we are facing a crisis: that unless we Americans can now, this year, pull ourselves together and turn out as much tonnage in one month as we turned out in the whole year of 1917 the world will suffer a calamity that you hesitate to put in words."

I call this constructive criticism of the most serviceable kind. It is calculated to wake us up before the kaiser sends his U boats over to do the waking and it ought also to wake up our officialdom to the need of keeping the people posted on the equation between shipbuilding and ship sinking. It is only fair to add that this book is issued with date of April 1, but in his letter to me, writ-ten May 22, Mr. Sullivan says: "The ship-

building situation is still very serious and there is nothing the nation needs to think about so earnestly during the coming year."

Isn't it funny what roundabout journeys things sometimes make? Readers of this column will recall a reference, about three months ago, to an inquiry I had from Meredith Nicholson, asking for my estimate of

Army Tobacco Rations

Are four cigarets a day, ready made, enough for a trench fighter at the front? With high fares coming strong and \$44 Perhaps not, but if he likes he can take 10 added to a round trip ride, hitting the great papers and tobacco enough to fill them and make the smokes for himself, under the newly introduced tobacco rationing system.

Or he can take four-tenths of an ounce of pipe or chewing tobacco instead. And in case the soldier is a nonsmoker he will commute his tobacco ration for other little luxuries.

Most Americans will hail with applause Male politicians show like facility in figurthe tobacco rationing. It is demanded by army efficiency plans. It is human and humane. Funds contributed by vast numbers are not saying a word.

of people at home have partly met the need which Washington now recognizes. Probably those funds will go on, supplementing the limited rations. There will still be reason for their existence.

As for the corporal's guard of antitobacco agitators, we suppose they will express themselves characteristically, with em- leader, and her appearance on the legislative phasis and abandon. What they say will be race provoked much political conversation read by soldiers and officers with amused and shaking of conservative heads. She is smiles. It is a condition and not a theory a republican, a reformer and a speaker of which confronts our fighters in North sufficient power to put a lawyer husband in a listening mood. France.-Brooklyn Eagle.

ime on contracts for 8,000,000 pairs of shoes Most of the work is on government account, the balance for summery conservation hikes around home,

At a recent art auction a painting entitled, Droves of Swine," was knocked down for \$12,000. At this rate, doubtless, a picture depicting "Bringing Home the Bacon" would flirt with six artistic figures.

A New York woman who told an enrellment clerk that she had no occupation, but 'merely worked all the time," was promptly isted as "housewife." Evidently the clerk is a man of vision and knowledge.

Chicago's city council, revised upward a few months ago, is running things without the aid or consent of Mayor Thompson. The opposition carries ample strength to squelch the veto power and render the executive an honorary figurehead. The eclipse of Big Bill slowly approaches totality.

"Shadow Lawn," the Long Branch marble castle, built by John A. McCall of insurance memory, and occupied by President Wilson as a summer home, has changed ownership for the third time. The huge pile may not be in the hoodoo class, but there is little doubt about the shadows.

Denizens of the dry belt attuned to the

'souse" New York makes, will have to white way will become a diversion for millionaires only. Even a Chicago trip insures a severe shrinkage of the roll.

An enrollment of women citizens in Greater New York netted 284,000 registrants. The total rejoiced the suffragists and antis in equal proportions-the former regarding the outpouring as "perfectly splendid," and the latter as evidence of widespread indifference.

ing partisan advantage, but the registrants Another drive into the political preserves of mere man is planned by the suffragists of

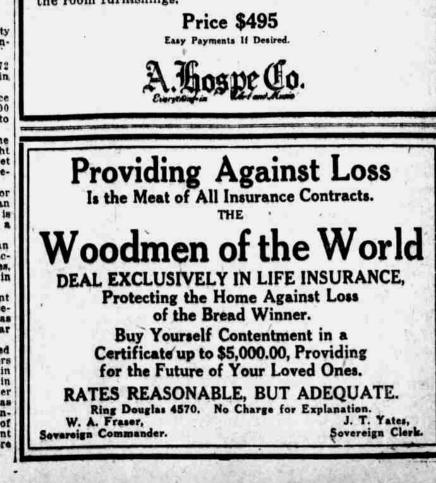
Kansas. Having secured a grip on many minor offices, city and county, the legislature becomes the next guide post on the road to the governorship. Mrs. M. J. Grinstead, "the lady from Seward county," is the chosen

devoted to the exclusive treatment of select mental cases re-EASTMAN KODAK CO. quiring for a time watchful care ** 1813 FARNAM ST.** and special nursing. BRANCH 308 SO. 15"ST.



What Is So Rare As a Day in June?" Nothing Finer As a Gift Than the BRAMBACH **Baby Grand Piano**

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press their preferences as to the material to be used in paving between the viaduct and Williams street. A large audience assembled had I the wings a dove ! !!!

Meyer's hall to listen to the second annual concert of the Madrigal club.

Evans, James Ainscow, Harry Mc-Clure and C. C. Quiggle. The republican city convention met in the council chamber and nominated as candidates for the school

Miss Fannie Horwich was united in

Right to the Point Sioux City doesn't approve consoli-dation of railroad ticket offices. A

commercial club representative is carrying the message to Mr. McAdoo. Greater New York has 6,520 motor cyclists. The Society for the Suppres-

sion of Unnecessary Noise has con-siderable unfinished business on hand. Salt Lakers calmed down quickly

on being shown that a proposed raise in telephone rates covered only longdistance calls. Putting a raise over on the other fellow usually relieves

servation and wartime economy.

Strange as it appears at a distance the pressure of the dry belt actually diminished the thirst of the Twin Cities. In Minneapolis alone the output of four breweries in four months past fell away 69,987 barrels and in all Minnesota 102,962 barrels. The showing measures the speed of con-

Lake Contrary is to St. Joe what Lake Contrary is to St. Joe what cill Bluffs. Both are built on the same plan, being abandoned beds of the Missouri. This year St. Joe plans to make the lake a beauty spot, hooked up with smooth roads and facilities for shortening the bills of mosquitoes. Saints who summered away from marriage to Mr. N. Ginsberg at Ger-mania hall before an assemblage of elevated travel rates and murmur:

Minneapolis Journal: The Ger-mans got the hospitals, but they have failed to pick out, so far, the children's and orphans' homes. Washington Post: The young wife who refuses to feed hubby out of the

delicatessen store is entitled to hang one star in the kitchen window. New York World: The American idea of a "reciprocal artillery engage-

inent" appears to be to give the Ger-mans ten shells for one and count he casualties at the same ratio. Washington Post: Human nature

is a queer thing , which explains why a railroad president would rather serve the government for \$1 a year than have his \$100,000 salary cut. Baltimore American: Alien enemy

women must also, like the men, reg-ister, and be finger-printed. This is not a time which allows the observance of nice courtesies to the gentles iex.

Brooklyn Eagle: If a sister of Charles Stewart Parnell died in a Dublin almshouse hospital at the age of 80, she must have gone there in a fit of senile aberration. The Parnelis

were a thrifty family. And, as for help, all Dublin would have offered it on the very first suggestion.

New York World: How peoples ubjected to the kaiser's yoke manifest their appreciation is shown by the Ukrainians, who are burning their grain to help along the hunger cam-paign against Germany, thus proving 45 per cent over 1917 and 56 per cent elevated travel rates and murmur: once more that nations conquered are over the average of 10 years before "Contrary looks mighty good to me." not always nations enslayed the war,

Signposts of Progress Despite the competition of electricity the coal gas business is steadily inreasing in England.

Statistics show that 75,167,672 cross tons of iron ore were mined in he United States last year.

The world's international commerce ncreased from \$1,480,000,000 in 1800 o \$20,110,000,000 in 1900, and to \$46,000,000,000 in 1917.

At one period no mail reached the miners of Spitzbergen for eight months, but they are now able to get the world's news twice a day by wire-

less telegraph. A Polish scientist is the inventor of a motion-picture camera which can be carried in the hand and which is operated by compressed air when utton is pressed.

In the last 10 years the American automobile industry has manufac-tured about 5,853,000 motor-vehicles. of which 4,800,000 were made in

the last five years. Among the new locks to prevent theft of automobiles is one that se-

thert of automobiles is one that se-cures the steering wheel after it has been turned slightly, enabling a car to be moved only in a circle. Figures based on a return dated February 1, 1918, from all farmers occupying over 20 acres of land in England and Wales show that in January of this year the area under winter wheat was 2,504,000 acres, as compared with 1,725,000 acres in Jan-

anxiety.

Thomas Hardy author, born in Dorsetshire, England, 78 years ago. Lulu Claser, popular star of musical semedy, born at Allegheny City, Pa., Articles of incorporation were filed for the Model Steam laundry of Omaha. The incorporators are J. H.

Day in History. 10-John L. Spalding. first Cath-bishop of Peoria. born at Leba-Ky. Died August 25, 1916. 15-Prance decided upon the ex-ion of the royal princes. 16-Emperor William warned the Bismarck to stop his press 16-March 10-March board for three years William Coburn, Fred McConnell, Stephen J. Broder-ick, W. A. Kelley and E. C. Conc.

over 200 frienda,



