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IN WASHINGTON'S FOOTSTEPS.
In congress today, pursuant to a time-honored custom, George Washington's Farewell Address to his countrymen will be read. This is one of the solemn formalities traditional in connection with the birthday anniversary of our first president.

The League of Nations is before the country today, taking precedence for the moment over all other issues. In all our history George Washington has never been quoted so earnestly and so reverently as now, when appealed to support one or the other sides of the question.

Washington advocated a strong central government. Among the colonies existed a spirit contrary to this. Each considered itself a sovereign state, nor was this attitude entirely overcome until after many years and a terrible war.

While the hatchet story may have been exploded, its moral is as good as ever. Army health was reported good on February 14. All right, let us keep it that way.

Grain may now be used in making "near" beer, if the brewer does not come too near. Assassination precipitated the world war and assassination threatens to delay world peace.

Douglas county members of the legislature will hear from their constituents tonight at the city hall. Incidentally, The Bee is the only Omaha paper that has had a word to say on behalf of the home-owner.

Young Prince Joachim Hohenzollern, who was to have been a king, has been locked up as a rioter. Some drop. Japan insists there is no good reason why China should want Taing-tao. None, except it belongs to China.

Senator Fall joins with Senator Borah in deciding to absent himself from the White House luncheon. These men at least have the courage of their convictions.

Washington's Hatchet Maker
Carl Holliday in New York Post.
Who first told the Washington hatchet and cherry tree story? It is a marvelous story to create—absolutely create—a legend which an entire nation so loves that the millions cling to it long after its falsity is proved.

Parson Weems was all that foreigners expect in Washington. He possessed all the characteristics of a demagogue, and what is the use of such a faculty not for just such emergencies? So many little incidents related by him are so charming that we are really very sorry they did not happen.

Born in October, 1759, at his family's old home, "Marshes Sea," Anne Arundel county, Maryland, he traced his pedigree to the earls of Wemyss, descended from Maclud of Shakespear fame, and in order that such good blood might not perish from the earth, the parents of young Weems did their full duty toward mankind by having 19 children! Often those who write so much and so charmingly about others write but little about themselves; the childhood of the person is lost in obscurity.

It was in 1800 that he wrote his masterpiece, with its prize American legend. Washington died in December, 1799, and Weems published the "Life" in February, 22, 1800. At first the book was merely a thin pamphlet; but year by year, as Weems gathered fresh data and stories, the volume gradually grew to 250 pages.

It is true that much of the work of our army was crude; less could not have been looked for. Inexperienced men were thrust into duties to which they were unaccustomed, and for which many of them were unfitted.

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There is no doubt that Weems succeeded in his purpose. Read again the story of the hatchet; it is absolutely perfect. Washington was once a boy, even if an abnormally truthful one.

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Internal revenue stamps were sold in 70 editions appeared in less than 50 years.

Kurt Eisner also paid the penalty of being a leader at a time when leadership entails great personal danger. His views were not helpful to humanity, nor in the manner of his taking off, but both are examples of what a wreck has been made of civilization by Germany.

Friend of the Soldier
Replies will be given in this column to questions relating to the soldier and his problems, in and out of the army. Names will not be printed. Ask The Bee to Answer.

Many Questions Answered.
E. M. H.—The 23rd military police company is in the 15th battalion, attached to base section 1, S. O. S., base headquarters at St. Nazaire, A. P. 767, is located at Nantou. Do not know when this unit will return.

Bessie B.—The 205th infantry is part of the 15th brigade of the 7th division, address: A. P. O. 728, division headquarters are at Chateau-Villain; do not know when this unit will start home.

A Soldier's Wife—The 13th veterinary hospital unit is with the army of occupation; address via A. P. O. 747, which is at Commercy (Meuse), far from friends and family; the regiment is under orders to be returned at once; the 37th division headquarters are at Hooselede, A. P. O. 763.

Miss Zelta B.—The 147th infantry is part of the 41st division; postoffice address, A. P. O. 727, which is located at St. Jean (Loire-et-Cher), about 100 miles southwest of Paris; the regiment is under orders to be returned at once; the 37th division headquarters are at Hooselede, A. P. O. 763.

A Soldier's Wife—The 39th division is in the Seventh corps of the Third army, and is included in the army of occupation. The 21st supply train is part of this division, its postoffice address being A. P. O. 761.

A Returned Soldier—Write to the Navy Department in Washington for the information you seek.

Mrs. M. S. Ravenna—Machine gun battalions and field artillery regiments are totally different organizations. As much as infantry and cavalry; the machine gun battalions served with the infantry in the front lines. The 148th machine gun battalion has been ordered to the 148th field artillery is part of the Third army, occupying Germany; its address is A. P. O. 754, for all but one of its companies.

Mrs. I. M. L. Grand Island—The 21st pioneer infantry is pretty well scattered; regimental headquarters and Companies E, F and G are at A. P. O. 752, Marselles; headquarters, supply company and Company H are at A. P. O. 753 (Nantes); Company H is at A. P. O. 703 (Paris), and Companies I and K are addressed La Folla, via A. P. O. 776, which is at La Rochele.

Mrs. R. H. T.—Present address of Battery E, 49th regiment, C. A. C. Allier (Nivernais) southwest of Paris; the regiment is part of the 23th brigade. Have no information as to when this unit will be sent home.

DREAMLAND ADVENTURE
By DADDY.
(When the Giant of the Woods finds that gold hunting is a risky business, Prince Bonnie Blue Bell promises to tell a story that contains the secret of safe fortune hunting.)

CHAPTER VI.
Bonnie Blue Bell's Story.
Once upon a time there were two brothers, Jed and Joe, said Prince Bonnie Blue Bell, beginning a story which held the secret of how to find a fortune with safety.

"I'd like to go with you, for I'm fond of adventure and want a fortune," answered Jed, "but someone else stands on the farm and looks after the old folks. Goodby, and good luck!"

"I'll find enough gold to make you and the old folks as rich as princes," promised Jed, starting hopefully.

"Many miles traveled Jed in the wilderness, far from friends and family from all men. There he searched and searched for gold, suffering from hunger, from thirst, from cold, from heat, from hardships of all kinds. Now and then he found little pockets

The Bee's Letter Box
Proposes a Test.
Harrisburg, Neb., Feb. 16.—To the Editor of The Bee: To have parochial schools or not to have them seems to be a live question in this state at present.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS.
Minneapolis Tribune: Now is the time, if ever, for all good men to file claims with the peace congress for a share in the eastern and southern exposure.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.
Although we are a busy race, with some new enterprises or grand invention to complete, with every hour that we pass to us, we must leave undone, on this natal day we pass to honor Washington.

DAILY CARTOONETTE
SIC 'EM OVER! GO GET THAT CAT!
A cartoon showing a man with a cat on his back, with the text 'SIC 'EM OVER! GO GET THAT CAT!' and 'A fixed and shining star'.

"BUSINESS IS GOOD, THANK YOU"
WHY NOT?
A cartoon showing a man with a large sack of money, with the text 'BUSINESS IS GOOD, THANK YOU' and 'WHY NOT?'.

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of gold, just enough to buy his supplies, to lure him still farther into the wilderness, and to cause thieves to rob him whenever he set by a tiny store of nuggets.

"Finally, with only a few hundred dollars to show for his years of labor and privation, he returned home. His brother met him at the station. 'Welcome back,' he said. 'Tell me of all your fine adventures and of the gold you have found.'

"I see! I see!" he shouted. "I can't safely reach that gold up there from down here, but I can draw it up through the earth by planting crops. I wonder if there is gold under the farm I have rented?"

"No, ho," roared the Giant. "Watch me draw that gold up with my crops!"

Among the treasured memories we have of the last days spent with those who have preceded us to the other shore is the thought of a well conducted funeral. If you will allow us to superintend the arrangements for the funeral you will feel satisfied with our services.

N. P. SWANSON
Funeral Parlor (Established 1888)
17th and Cumis Sts., Douglas 1960

Annette Kellerman Says:
Self-denial is an excellent virtue, when it is wisely exercised. But to deprive oneself or one's family of the benefits and delights of music, with the idea of getting a piano or player-piano some day, is not wise self-denial.

The Gulbransen Player Piano
selling now at \$450.
Cash or Terms or Liberty Bonds at Par.

Buy a CORONA
(The Personal Writing Machine)
The same service at half the price and in a more convenient form.
Prompt deliveries can now be made—Complete with case \$50.00

First National Bank of Omaha
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