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You should know that
The People of Omaha are Hospitable, Opportunistic Here are Many, the Climate is Salubrious, the City Beautiful.

Somebody is getting it—that is certain.

The W. O. W. is indeed an Omaha institution.

Bringing home the bacon is the great family game just now.

Landlords are putting up a splendid argument for "own your own home."

A little "pool" may not be a "combine," but "tall oaks from little acorns grow."

However, the sun will keep right on, rising and setting without regard to the clocks.

Talk may soothe the anger of the citizen, but it will not provide a meal for anybody.

Selling undergrade ice cream has gotten a bunch of local dealers into police court. Serves them right.

War is about to break out between Poland and Germany. Heigho! How the work is piling up on the league.

Carranza does not even respond: "Yours received and contents noted." We do hope he is keeping a file, though.

A real test of the savvy and polish of the "gentleman burglar" would be to hear him say, "Good morning, judge."

The Kansas City spendthrift must have felt perfectly reckless when he gave his wife \$2 to spend on vacation pleasures.

A pair of shoes went from \$5.50 at the factory to \$12 in the retail shop 400 yards away, but that isn't much of a jump for a good pair of shoes.

The prince of Monaco has served the world by showing where to look for drifting mines. Wonder if he could tell how to locate the harpoon card?

Congress is fudging out that the meat packing business is not wholly in the hands of the "big five." This is a point the Colver report did not deal with.

What reason has Congressman Bland or anybody else to think the American workman will wear the army shoe? Most of them want something much more stylish.

There may be no understanding among local butter makers, but the unanimity with which the price goes up is indicative of remarkable similarity of thought between them.

Omaha lost no time in taking up the food allotted by the army, and is now asking for more, if you want to know whether people are willing to eat what the soldier boys fed on.

Why, do you suppose, the Omaha Hyphenated omitted to tell its own readers that the reason the governors at Salt Lake declined to hear the women was because the democratic governor of Oklahoma objected?

An aviator pulled a crowd away from a Methodist bishop on Sunday afternoon over in Iowa. Which might argue that while his grace merely points the way to future flight, the other fellow shows how to do it in the present.

Uncle Sam on the Pacific

Thanks to the administrations of President Roosevelt and President Taft, our greatest ships can move quickly and in any number desired from ocean to ocean. "Going round the Horn" is a thing of the past in the commerce and passenger facilities of the world. Early in September President Wilson will review our augmented fleet at San Francisco. It is already visiting the other California ports that afford a sufficient depth, especially those of San Diego, and in touch with Los Angeles. The voyage of the big battleships from the Atlantic to the Pacific, a dramatic spectacle in many respects, was so easily accomplished that the magnitude of the Panama canal achievement might to some minds suggest the commonplace instead of a great forward step in the history of the nations. With all their engineering ability, backed by the savings of a most thrifty people, the French tried to build the canal and failed. The republican administration named took up the vast enterprise and carried it to thoroughly successful completion in less time than was expected. A few dismal prophets predicted another abortive result. It is due the American people without regard to diversities of opinion on other subjects to say that they were one in the resolve to build the canal.

The United States has an immense coast line on the greatest of oceans. Japan and some other countries are adjacent to it in a large sense. But if any nation is harboring imperialistic views and planning imperialistic methods there it will be called down promptly and in a way that cannot possibly be misunderstood. No Machiavellianism will be tolerated there. A square international deal for all concerned is demanded, not at some future time, but right now.

Our Pacific fleet has no program of aggression. It is ready to act if any such intentions lurk there.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

AVOIDING THE PLAIN ISSUE.

President Wilson's answers to the questions submitted to him by Senator Fall shed no additional light as to the workings of his mind. Neither are they of a nature to lead material assistance in reaching a solution of the main question. The president, in his interview with the committee on foreign relations, as well as in his letter just made public, contents himself with reiterating generalities he already had given out, and avoids details entirely. In this he shows a plain disposition to insist on his original demand, that the treaty with its contents be ratified just as presented.

He knows that the senate is not inclined to accede to his proposal in this regard. Admitting himself not to be a lawyer of experience, he opposes his opinion as to the constitutionality as well as the advisability of the procedure he has in view against the combined judgment of a group of the ablest of America's jurists and barristers, men not only learned in the law, but deeply versed in international affairs. He ought to know that public sentiment, despite the executive and persistent propaganda of the league's proponents, does not support his plan.

Perhaps Mr. Wilson is aware of all these things, and is merely a little reluctant to assume a position nearer that of the senate. The Pittman resolution very likely originated not far from the White House, and may be a sign of willingness to compromise. Whether this is true or not, the president has not met the issue squarely.

The people are anxious to have the matter ended and peace declared, and it now appears to be directly up to the senate to act. Whatever form the reservations are to take, and they will be made, should be soon decided, and a final determination of America's attitude made known to the world.

Food Held in Storage.

The attorney general of the United States views with optimistic complacency the discovery and seizure of food held in storage, and makes the consoling assertion that food prices will come down as a result. He opposes price-fixing as an unwarranted interference with supply and demand, on which all trade must depend. The situation will not be thus easily disposed of.

Pursuit of profiteering food hoarders is both commendable and serviceable. Food in storage has another aspect, however. While much undoubtedly is held for speculative purposes, the greater fact remains that most of it is out away in times of plenty against the season of scarcity. That is the normal and natural function of storage. That it is turned aside by artificial control is equally true, and it is to overcome this unnatural condition that government is expected to interfere.

Just now another factor adverse to low prices at home is presented in Europe. Wheat Director Barnes states that Europe will have enough to feed three-fourths of its population. This is almost the normal supply. Difficulty in the way of lack of facilities for the proper distribution of food operates against a settlement of prices. Until order is restored and communications are opened in Europe, disturbance in market conditions is to be expected. If Europe bids high for our surplus, the effect on home buyers is easy to see.

If the attorney general and his agents can break up artificial and unscrupulous manipulations of food speculators by bringing out of hiding hoarded edibles, they will do the exasperated public great service. But it will not be of especial advantage to unreasonably exhaust supplies that are held only against a time when food otherwise would be scarce.

Hero Just the Same.

Joseph Perry of Kansas City is dead from the effects of hydrophobia. Perhaps the only record of his case will be that at the hospital and in the public archives, showing that he contracted the disease and that it terminated fatally, despite the administration of the antitoxin which is expected to counteract the dread germs. But Joseph Perry was a hero.

Somewhere there is a girl who should return thanks every day that she lives because he interposed between her and a rabid dog, endangering his life to protect her from the fate that overtook him. He did not know her, nor is her name yet disclosed. In the little circle of her home life she keeps the secret, modestly shrinking from publicity, yet failing to acknowledge the greatest service ever rendered her. Perry did not think of this, nor of his own safety. He saw a girl in deadly peril, and bareheaded tackled the maddened brute, inviting the death that would have been hers had he not intervened.

Honors of war have been paid many a man for less. Perry and his action will soon be forgotten in the whirl of a busy world that has other things to talk about, but Kansas City will do well if it takes some step to commemorate his name and his deed. Joseph Perry was a hero, and a negro.

How Soon We Forget.

Presence in Omaha of the attorney general of the state, to co-operate with the district attorney of the United States in probing the food price question, may serve to remind the older citizens of an event of the past. Only a few years ago, in 1913 to be exact, the legislature sent committees to Omaha to investigate a rumored food trust. Many witnesses were examined, mountains of testimony were reduced to writing, and a report made to the legislature, setting out that there was an illegal combination in restraint of trade in Omaha, and that the citizens were paying tribute to it through enhanced prices of food. The legislature adopted a resolution, calling on the attorney general and the county attorney of Douglas county to proceed under the law against the offenders. And there the matter ended. No, not quite; although neither of the officers took any step to prosecute the alleged food trust, the citizens of Douglas county re-elected the county attorney, because he was "a good and faithful officer." How soon we forget.

A. Mitchell Palmer has been confirmed as attorney general of the United States by the senate, which practically puts the "O. K." on his acts as custodian of alien enemy property. Now, if he will get the food junkies in the same sort of confinement, all will be well.

The attorney general says he wants to get hold of the "retail gouger," most of whom have been doing a wholesale business. He will have the hearty good wishes of all in his quest.

Beauty Revealed By War

A. Kingsley Porter in Scribner's Magazine.

It is obvious that the problem of restoration (of French ruins) will be an exceedingly delicate one. Moreover, it will differ in respect to each monument, for they are in all conditions from complete destruction to the slightest of damage. It is, I believe, today admitted that the ideal solution would be to undertake practically no reconstruction. Medieval monuments cannot be rebuilt by modern methods. Artistically, archeologically, historically they should be left as they are.

A crowd of practical considerations are, however, opposed to this. In general, for purposes of worship, the old church can be repaired far less expensively than a new one constructed. The French feel, too, that the church is a living thing, which is deprived of much of its beauty and poetry if it is preserved merely as a curiosity, isolated from the daily life of the people. In many cases also repairs are necessary to prevent further disintegration. It is not, however, probable that restoration, however regrettable, will in general be carried out.

Every effort will assuredly be made that this reconstruction be as tactful as possible. Many fantastic suggestions, like that of covering the holes in the vaults of Reims with glass, have happily been discarded. It has already been wisely decided to make no attempt to restore sculpture. This resolution marks an epoch in modern taste, a vast step in advance. The next generation will perceive it is no less sacrilegious to restore architecture than sculpture.

As the ruins stand, they are of singular interest from more than one point of view. The cannons have plucked the heart of many a mystic. Cold-blooded as the statement may sound, the fact remains that a murder gives an opportunity to study anatomy. The archeologist, even at the moment when his grief at the destruction of an art which he loved, is most poignant, finds in the solution of the many a riddle he had long been seeking to unravel. Sometimes, too, the bombardment has created a new beauty. Certain monuments have regained what reconstruction had taken away from them, like St. Remi, where the burning of the modern vaults has revealed the ancient Romanesque proportions, thrilling as those of Jimenez and hitherto unsuspected.

The city of Reims has acquired the mystery and charm of Pompeii. The cathedral towers above the shattered walls of houses more impressive and majestic than ever before. In its broad outlines it has lost nothing in beauty. I have never felt the structure more vibrant, more living. I always have, indeed, the illusion that a Gothic church is in motion, gliding from east to west. At Notre Dame the movement is low, majestic, but of irresistible force, like an ocean liner when she has turned in the river and sets out on her thousand-mile journey over unknown oceans. Reims, however, moved more quickly—she was like the same liner on the high seas running at full speed, rising and falling on the waves. Today she is more buoyant and swift than ever. The building appears to have been conceived in a prophetic vision of a great victory.

It is curious that the wounds of the bombardment already seem ancient. They have a certain softness which makes them not distressing from an aesthetic standpoint. There is nothing new and crude in their appearance; they harmonize, if the truth must be told, far better with the exquisite old work than do the modern restorations.

A Typical German Savant

Not even the deepest animosities of the war will prevent the English-speaking world from paying its tribute to the mental ability the enormous industry and the rare endowments as a naturalist which made the name of Ernest Haeckel one of world-wide recognition for half a century. Had the great evolutionist passed away in 1913, however, all those happier phases of his scientific achievements would have been dwelt upon that have given distinction to the human mind in its capacity to wrest the secrets from nature, no matter how minute or hidden the phenomena, and the lifetime and untiring application of Haeckel which resulted in the orderly and logical arrangement of vast collections of related facts, which he made the unanswerable basis for his signal deductions that supported the principles discovered by others, would have come in for the most unqualified praise.

But dying as he has after the crimes of Germany, for which he became at once one of the chief apologists and an audacious defender, have been established before all the world it is not possible to concentrate attention alone upon those abstract qualities of mind that he possessed and he must be judged in his human relationships. And so judged there will be no doubt as to the world verdict. For Haeckel, as is true of so many other German professors whose abilities had been admitted by other countries, when the world crisis came revealed so shocking a lack of moral perceptions that his abuse of the allies and his boastful belief that Germany should of right by might dismember and dominate Europe and rule the world, can never be forgotten.

With all his industry and all his enormous grip on the vital issues of biology Haeckel in a social and political sense was a tiger and the gorilla in his views, as to those forces that should govern civilization. And this blind spot that marked a mind singularly well ordered otherwise, revealed as it was in the action also of his 93 associates, who backed up all the hideous lies of the imperial German government with their dogmatic approval early in August, 1914, in order to stampede the neutral world, easily indicates Haeckel as the typical German savant; the product of ruthless, atheistic Kultur, capable of horrors not unlike those of "Frankenstein's" monster and ready to glory in them and defend them.—Philadelphia Ledger.

TODAY

The Day We Celebrate.
Dr. Burton W. Christie, physician and surgeon, born 1877.
George D. Meiklejohn, attorney-at-law, born 1837.
H. C. Rosacker, jr., clerk, Union Pacific, born 1875.
Maj. Gen. Robert Lee Howze, U.S. A., famous cavalry expert, recently in command of the Third division in the army of occupation, born in Rusk county, Texas, 55 years ago.
Edward H. R. Green, son and heir of the late Hetty Green, born in London 51 years ago.
Rt. Rev. Alexander J. McGavick, Catholic bishop of Chicago, born at Fox Lake, Ill., 56 years ago.
Dr. Henry Suzzallo, president of the University of Washington, born at San Jose, Cal., 44 years ago.
William L. Douglas, prominent shoe manufacturer and former governor of Massachusetts, born at Plymouth, Mass., 74 years ago.
Daniel R. Anthony, representative in congress of the First Kansas district, born at Leavenworth, Kan., 49 years ago.
Thirty Years Ago in Omaha.
Letter carriers have been notified that after September 1 they will have to pay their fare upon all horse and cable street cars.
M. S. Black of Carpenters' union No. 58, was elected marshal for the Labor day parade.
The biennial competition of distinguished marksmen from all departments of the army began today at Bellevue.
Forepaugh's circus showed to 15,000 people in an overcrowded tent.

People You Ask About

Information About Folks in the Public Eye Will Be Given in This Column in Answer to Readers' Questions. Your Name Will Not Be Printed. Let The Bee Tell You.

Secretary of the League.
Sir Herbert Ames, who has accepted the position of financial director of the permanent secretariat of the League of Nations at Geneva, is a leading citizen of Montreal, who has devoted much study and time to civic welfare movements. He was born in Canada, of Massachusetts and New York stock, and received his education at Amherst college. At the outbreak of the great war he was asked by the governor general of Canada to assume the position of honorary secretary of the National Canadian Patriotic fund, which provides for the wives and dependent relatives of soldiers. The marked success attending this organization was largely due to his initiative efforts, and in 1915 Mr. Ames had conferred upon him the honor of knighthood by the king. Sir Herbert has traveled extensively over the world, and has even much time and attention to the discussion of trade questions, tariffs and treaties with other countries.

Leader of the Bolsheviks.
Nikolai Lenin, who, it is rumored, intends to retire from the premiership of the bolshevik government, has been the dominant figure in Russian affairs since the rise of the extremists and the overthrow of the Kerensky regime in November, 1917. Lenin, or to give him his real name, Ulianoff, is the son of a priest of the Greek church, and was brought up in Moscow. While he was still a student at the university he began to spread socialist propaganda among the workmen and in this he met with considerable success, particularly in Petrograd. His activities brought him under the ban of the imperial government and he was forced to flee to Switzerland. When war broke out he carried on his revolutionary propaganda among the Russian soldiers, receiving liberal financial aid from Germany. He returned to Petrograd, where he threw the provisional government.

"I see a toe dancer recently danced down the steps of the Capitol in full ballet costume."
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"Al Washington's are indignant."
"Missed the performance, I suppose."

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DREAMLAND ADVENTURE

By DADDY.

Surprises for All.
THE stranger clasped the fair maiden to his breast, then, as if doubting his good fortune, held her away at arm's length while he gazed down into her eyes.
"I am ugly. My nose is big, my back is bent, and whiskers cover my face," he said. "Can you care for a father like me?"
"Your outside may not be handsome, but one can see in your heart through your gentle eyes, and I know it is good and beautiful," said the fair maiden.

DAILY DOT PUZZLE



When you come to fifty-eight, you will see my cousin— Draw from one to two and so on to the end.

his whiskers, the stranger slipped out of his shabby clothes, and stood before them clad in the garments of a millionaire.
And that wasn't all. He whistled a new bird song, and from a short distance away came the sound of a throbbing engine. The bushes parted like a curtain, and into view rolled the largest and handsomest automobile Peggy and Billy had ever seen, driven by a chauffeur in gorgeous livery.

"This is what Miss Golden Hair missed by being greedy instead of loving," said the stranger. "She will have a wealthy father, but not half so rich as I am."
"Daddy Don! I'd have loved you just as much if you hadn't a cent—and so would mother, too," cried Donnell.

"My Belle. Let's hasten to her at once," cried Daddy Don.
He tossed Donnell among the cushions of the automobile, and Peggy and Billy after her. Then he climbed in himself and away they went licketty-splitter through the woods, and down the road. They went so fast that Peggy closed her eyes and in closing her eyes she must have gone to sleep, for the next thing she knew there she was back in her own home, and all alone.

(In the next installment Peggy and Billy have a part in a story of a different sort.)

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"Don—that's my name! And Belle—that is the name of my lost sweetheart." Donnell! "How queer!"
"Belle is the name of my mother, too," spoke up Donnell. "Here is her picture." She held a locket out to the stranger. He looked at it and gave a queer cry: "Belle! My Belle!"
"Oh, I knew you like her," cried Donnell. "I am glad, for if you take me, you must take mother, too. We are all alone in the world. Father died when I was a baby."
"With all my heart I'll take her, too," cried the stranger. "I have searched the whole world for her."



For the Next Thing She Knew There She Was in Her Own Home and All Alone.

Have you never heard her speak of her childhood lover, Don?"
"Often," answered Donnell, "her eyes glistening. 'Can you be him? But go! He was tall and handsome, and not so old. While you—forgive me if I hurt you—are bent with years.'
But the stranger was only laughing. "I am young again now that I have found you and Belle, my Belle!"

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