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You should know that
Omaha's manufactures are exported to all parts of the world, and in many countries are preferred above all others.

The probes have not as yet hit the spot.
Pskov has been taken again, but we hear nothing of Przemysl.

Nothing seems to dampen the enthusiasm of the local burglar, however.
Preachers are now talking of going on strike. Only the housewives are left.

Fire insurance rates are going back to pre-war figures, which were high enough.
Fiji islanders have begun to wear shirts. Last of the simple life is thus dispelled.

Having squelched the "reds" in Europe, Sam Gompers now has a chance to do the same in the home land.
"The old waltz is coming back," declares a dancing master. Hurrah, and let us have some other old customs along with it.

German railroads are threatened with a shortage of fuel and American with a shortage of help. Which is worse?
Put it in writing, says Justice Gary to the union spokesmen. This at least will avoid confusion over what actually was said.

"The peak is passed," said the president. "Higher prices are coming," say the food jobbers. Where does the pocketbook set off?
One reason the public no longer smokes the old-fashioned 5-cent cigar is because the dealers are now selling them two-for-a-quarter.

Mayor Smith's ordinance to punish destruction of food reminds us that the democrats refused to pass such a law in the legislature of 1917.
A nephew of Herr Hohenzollern, living in Detroit, has had his name changed by the courts. The other was too tough, even for Detroit.

England is not ready yet to receive visitors, and therefore keeps up passport restrictions. Britannia has all the "reds" she can comfortably care for now.
Omaha will be mighty glad to have the president as a guest on his western tour, and will surely show him a good time if he comes. This goes without strings.

Josephus Daniels has now been lured by the ukuleles, but we doubt if he has seen such a hulahula as was staged when old Cap. Cook called on King Kamehameha.

The War department seems to have about the same trouble in getting the supplies to the civilians as it did to the soldiers. It only functions well when it is spending money.

Chairman Colver of the Federal Trade commission wants funds for the proposed inquiry into the canning trade. Maybe if he digs deep enough he may find out why the secretary of war gave the salmon packers a chance to make a double profit on the commandeered goods.

Salaried Man Has "Stuck"
Attorney General Palmer said something the other day when he was discussing the proposed investigation into the apparently too-high cost of living. He said that while economic conditions were the fundamental cause of the high prices of necessities, violations of laws designed to prevent concerted raising of prices also might be partly responsible, and then he went on:

WHAT GOMPERS MAY DO.
No man in America has a greater opportunity for public service at this moment than Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor.

We have had several exhibitions of late of unreluctance on part of organized labor, local unions refusing to listen to international officers, and in other ways showing petulance and disinclination to follow orderly procedure.

While the war was on the patriotic service of Samuel Gompers was unquestionably great. His voice and his work for America during the last two years were of inestimable value.

He may by his advice and counsel be able to induce the workmen of the country to bend their efforts to the realization of the big opportunity before them, that of producing the material things of which society is so sorely in need.

Manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers alike are merrily passing the buck to the consumer right now. It is not the high cost of living, they argue, but the cost of high living, that is the basis of all the trouble.

One Omaha wholesale grocer uses for illustration the 5-cent cigar. His choice for an object lesson is not happy from his standpoint. In no branch of trade has profiteering been more rampant than in tobacco.

But tobacco may be dispensed with, without lasting harm or inconvenience to its users, and therefore may be dismissed as a factor in the general problem. The explanation given the investigators does not account for the fact the selling price of coffee has doubled within a year.

Shoes and clothing present similar phases, both actual and psychological. Careless extravagance is to be blamed chiefly because the profiteer deliberately takes advantage of this aspect of the case. The careful buyer may save a little, but it will not console him any to be told that he is aiding in keeping up the price level.

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A Luminous Example
The total expenses of the trial of Henry Ford's libel suit against the Chicago Tribune are estimated at fully \$500,000, exclusive of the court costs, which the Tribune must pay by virtue of the judgment of 6 cents damages returned against it.

Price of raisins does not depend on supply, according to an Omaha jobber, but on the whim of the California fruit growers' combine, and so everybody will pay more for the fruit hereafter. This looks like one spot on which the attorney general might land with his anti-trust law.

Advance word from Europe is to the effect that a warm welcome waits the American tourist with money. Thus one of the ancient and profitable industries is recovered from the depression of war.

Strike Against Efficiency

From The Philadelphia Ledger.
Mr. Gompers needs to hurry home to advise the executives of the unions of iron and steel workers against the folly of ordering a general strike in the interest of twelve basic demands.

Since in great issues of this kind the public has a deep concern, it would seem that the steel corporation unionists can hardly claim that they will have public approval of their intention to throw the whole steel and iron production out of joint.

The uncompromising character of the proposals of the twenty-four steel workers' unions is not so evident on its face as was the recent appropriation of the railroads under a triple management and nationalization.

Five Farmers Tell Food Facts
Five representatives of state farm bureaus who went to Washington to confer with President Wilson's committee on the "most important" bill when they got the bill of \$11 they figured that the producer of the food, the farmer, had received 82 cents of the \$11.

Government cannot cope with economic conditions that are the result of the war, but something can certainly be done about the worst system of distribution to be found in any civilized country, a system that not only invites but encourages and promotes profiteering.

SAID IN FUN.
"I wish," said the hearse, "that I could be sure of being loved for myself alone."
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AT NINETY-SEVEN
Oh staidward soul at ninety-seven!
Why linger at the gates of heaven?
Do earthly pleasures still allure?
My Spirit Guide is Hygeia.

Why did you pass the Three-Score year?
Life's proper end as fixed by man?
Did not appear to me to be a part?
And tempt you with sweet Lethargy?

By Strength you reach the year Four-Score
Where toll and sorrow wait to share
Did you not see the years that were
And promise length of life anew?

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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.

Charles G. Dawes.
Charles G. Dawes formerly was comptroller of the currency in the Treasury department at Washington and now is president of one of the prominent trust companies in Chicago.

Canadian Legal Light.
Sir James Aikins, who will preside over the annual meeting of the Canadian Bar association to be held in Winnipeg this week, is the present lieutenant-governor of Manitoba and one of the eminent legal lights of the dominion.

Great English Business Woman.
Lady Rhonda, who will be among the distinguished visitors at the opening of the Canadian National exhibition in Toronto, is the most prominent business woman in Ontario.

American Army Officer.
Bylie C. Barry, a Banholzt, who has been appointed an American representative on the interallied military commission which will go to Budapest to arrange terms of an armistice, is one of the best known officers of the United States army.

RAILROAD MEN BUY FARMS.
Trainmen are Heavy Investors, Real Estate Agents Say.
Extraordinary activity in the purchase of farm lands in Minnesota in the last three months has revealed much interesting information in regard to the present ownership of the state's farms.

Immigrant Has \$41,000 Orchard.
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Little Folks' Corner

DREAMLAND ADVENTURE

By DADDY.
"CLOUD LAND."
(Peggy and Billy sail to Cloud Land in a little balloon. There they meet King Sun, who is in love with Princess Rainbow. The princess disappears and when they search for her, Peggy also vanishes.)

Sun and Storm in Battle.
WHAT has become of Peggy? It was all very simple. As she stood on the rainbow arch with King Sun and Billy watching the swirling storm clouds, she had grown dizzy and lost her balance.

Who are you? gasped Peggy.
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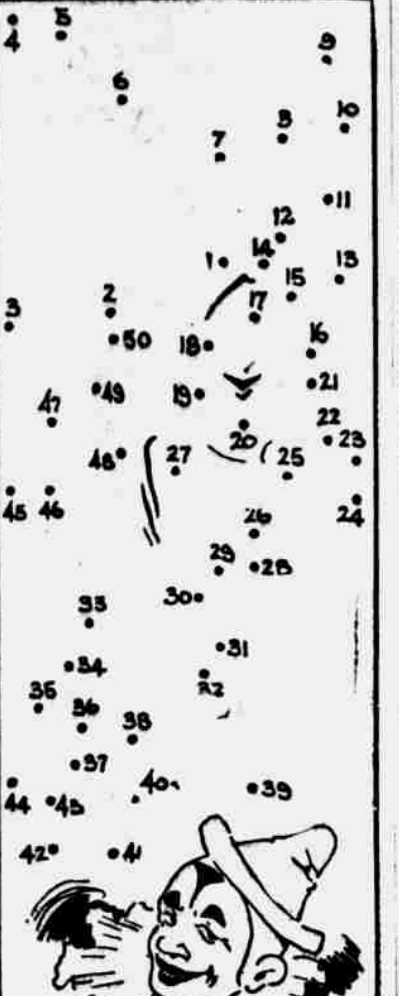
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DAILY DOT PUZZLE



Noodle's brother is quite thrifty. Wish to see him? Trace to fifty. Draw from 1 to 5 and so on to the end.

Would you be unusually agreeable? I took her to the palace of the Storm King, and that's where you are going now.

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like Thunderbolt, all clad in armor. Dashing pell mell across the court yard, Storm King and his warriors mounted small, dark clouds and sped forward to meet King Sun's army.

Then there was an astonishing battle—all in plain view of Peggy and the princess, who were held prisoners in the court yard. Spears glittered, burning rays of sun darted hither and thither, lightning flashed, thunderbolts crashed.

Storm King and King Sun fought each other. Storm hurled blasting electricity. Sun met him with blistering heat. From above Storm's soldiers emptied whole clouds of water upon Sun's blazing head, trying to put out the fires in which lay his strength.

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