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WHAT OMAHA WANTS.

The people of Omaha are not looking to get DAILY (MORNING)-EVENING-SUNDAY anybody's "goat." They are not animated by desire for vengeance on any official. What they ask, and have a right to ask, is that the terrible lesson of the riot, with its dreadful consequences, be not wholly ignored and repetition invited.

> The public is aware that the police force of Omaha has been misdirected for many months. It has lacked organization and discipline. Under the lash of fanatical zeal, whatever of energy was displayed was along the single line of pursuit of violators of the law against liquor traffic. Had the efforts at suppression been intelligently exerted, good might have come from it. Instead, the police created a reign of terror by their own lawlessness, and without any appreciable improvement of the condition they pretended to remedy.

Many grave crimes were committed, some dastardly outrages perpetrated by the police themselves-and, with other forms of crime rampant, the feeling of insecurity in person or property spread as the inefficiency of the guardians of the law became more and more apparent. When the career of the "morals squad" reached its climax in the murder of an unoffending negro bellboy, indignation compelled Superintendent Ringer to abolish his band of terrorists.

This admission that the policy being pursued was a mistake could not by itself restore efficiency. Failure to provide proper police protection to make the streets safe at night, or to secure homes by day, could not be remedied merely by disbanding the "morals squad."

What the people of Omaha want is that inefficiency be removed, that a better way of doing things be set in motion. This cannot be achieved by pretending black is white or calling failure success.

Federal Revenue Law Revision.

Democrats have commented derisively on the "failure" of the republicans to repeal the ridiculous so-called "luxury" taxes of the existing revenue law passed by the last democratic congress. They carefully avoid any presentation of the exact facts. Framed by committees presided over and controlled by democrats, the revenue law lays taxes on such a wide variety of things that its like was never known in history. It was devised to "make the north pay for the war," in the blunt phrase of Claude E. Kitchin, and some of its provisions, such as the tribute exacted from the baby's "hokey-pokey," show the extremity to which he and his helpers were pushed in order to carry out their laudable pur-

When Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee began to consider possible amendments to the existing measure, for the purpose of curing some of its most glaring defects and remedying if possible the burdensome and almost intolerable features that characterize it, the luxury taxes were taken in hand. As soon as it became clear at the Treasury department that the republicans meant business, Secretary Glass and Commissioner Roper served notice on the committee that no measure to repeal any part of the revenue law could become operative unless it was counter-balanced by another tax. This is tantamount to warning from the White House that any attempt to cure or alter the Kitchin-Simmons law will encounter she went swimming in the Pacific at Santa executive disapproval. The president insisted Barbara. This ought to confirm the Omaha | that the democrats not only make appropriations but levy taxes for the year following their re-

Law and Credit

From the New York Times.

Elihu Root and others hardly less distinguished think that Charles E. Hughes is wrong in his opinion that congress lacks the power to regulate the earnings of railways in excess of a fixed return from reasonable rates. The basis of their dissenting opinion is that the Cummins proposal does not fix rates for individual shipments, or carriers, but for the total service of a group of carriers. That leaves the total earnings of the group open for reconsideration and distribution on the basis of realized results, according to the accuracy of the guess in the tentative schedules. The proposed Cummins method is recommended as an "absolutely accurate" substitute for the "pro-phetic and uncertain" method of enacting precise rates in the manner exemplified by the practice of the interstate commerce commission.

The shippers' right to have a rate fixed for each shipment by each carrier is said to be a "mere common law right," subject to modification by congress under its right to regulate commerce in any reasonable manner, and any manner is reasonable which is necessary to keep the railways in sufficient vigor to enable them to maintain competition among themselves.

It is as much the right of doctors of law to disagree as of doctors of medicine. When doctors of the law of such authority disagree, it is the part of prudence to leave the last guess to the supreme court. The disagreement suffices to make it sure that the constitutional power to enact the Cummins rate law will be unsettled for some years. The creation of a rate zone of that twilight sort is undesirable, and the more especially so since even the validation of the Cummins method would settle only the law, and would leave unsettled the even more peremptory question of the credit of the individual railways if the group rates are adequate. The necessities of the railways are a matter of today, and should be settled today, as each day's meals must be eaten on the day. The defense of the Cummins plan proposes an interval of hunger to be satisfied by an accumulation of meals. If the law imposes that upon the railways, there is no method of imposing it upon the money market. That will be decided not by the lawyers or the supreme court, but by the opinions of those who have the resources which the railways need.

There is a perfect illustration of that in the working of the federal rate law and the state public utility nickel fare laws. There is no dispute about the legality of the interstate commerce law, nor about its effect on the credit of the railways. There was no dispute about the state public utility fare laws until their results became manifest. It was put into testimony before the president's commission that "sixty two electric railways in the United States with 5,912 miles of track already were in the hands of receivers; sixty railways with 763 miles of track had been dismantled and junked, and thirty-eight railways had been forced to aban-don 257 miles of track." Those facts are the nickel fare laws in many cities. There is need of a similar change of sentiment among the federal rate regulators. But the federal rate must be regulated upward if railway credit is to be restored. That result is hopeless of realization by any new method about which lawyers disagree, and investors agree in disapproval.

People Are Human, After All

There is the "one touch of nature" in the story of the conference in Downing street between Premier Lloyd George, Andrew Bonar to preach? Law and the representatives of the Railway I wonder if he forgot what the Men's union. After reaching the amicable com-promise in the blessed relief from tension that God followed, the premier was inspired to suggest that every one remain to take larder luck, and what sounds very much like a "raid on the of the gospel will so far forget pantry" was the sequel to a conference that settled a momentous issue of far-reaching social and political implications. Over the mutton and the ale, with private secretaries carving an waiting on the table, the labor leaders and those R. J. churches. Respectfully, occupying the seats of the mighty in the cabinet found that the other fellow was not a fire-Suggested Wash Day. On her first trip to Nantasket, lit-tle Bess remarked as she looked over the side of the steamer, "Mambreathing monster with fangs and claws, after all, but a man with the same inheritance of law and language and privilege. How many dis

Jarosh, Colo., Oct. 6.-To the Editor of The Bee: Please permit me to congratulate you for speaking

the plain truth when the New York Evoning World asked your opinion in regards to the late rioting in Omaha. I must say you are cer-tainly a son of the grand old man, dead and gone, but whose name will live for a long time to He was a man who never failed nor feared to tell the truth necessary and should have

been United States senator. CHRIS LAURITSEN.

it should be moderate.

What Makes Trouble. Camp Hill, Ala., Oct. 7.—To the Editor of The Bee: Everywhere there is violence. It is but a short stretched between them and the great wall that surrounded the tangled wood where stood the stately stride from the Boston police strike to the mob at Omaha. The strikcastle in the tower of which was ing steel workers are not much bet-

faced maiden. ter than the mob at Montgomery. Samuel Gompers openly declares that he will not obey the Cummins bill if it becomes a law. The parfor socialist has for years preached sedition, and every sort of revolu-tion. We are now reaping the rehis trousers. "Now, climb on my back," he said to Peggy, and she did sults. This is the time when every man's utterance should be sure, and as he said, riding pick-a-back. Rollo mounted to Peggy's shoulders, holding in his arms the rope Here in the south it is the most which Billy had made to scale the trying that I have known in my 22 walls of the castle. Thus loaded down, Billy stepped out bravely into years residence. Too much foolish talk has been indulged in, both the water. Swifter and swifter and and deeper and deeper flowed the north and south. At a critical time in the career of Booker Washington,

current, but Billy went slowly and steadily forward, testing the ground he said to me that his wisest and best friend was the white man at at each step, so that he would not step on smooth rocks, nor sink in the south. And among these friends, he prayed that he might draw his soft sand. last breath. Here he died, greatly honored and loved by both races. It was deeper than he thought in the center, and the water gurgled around his legs as if seeking to I came south years ago. I have seen the negro in his upward progress sweep him away, but Billy was sturdy and the weight of Peggy and all these years. I have long since come to believe with all my soul that the monkey held him steady, so on he went to the safety of the shore. Here they faced the great stone wall that surrounded the tangled wood in which stood the castle. It the average white man is just and the average negro. It is little short of an imposition for northern people to come down here and try to organize the negro so that he may get more "rights." In this community I am the only northwas a very smooth wall with sharp spikes at the top, and it was so high that when Peggy stood on Billy's shoulders and Rollo stood on Pegrn man. I could not ask for kinder neighbors, nor men with a finer gy's head he was less than half way

sense of justice. There has never been a mob here. There will never up. "I guess we will have to try the be a mob anywhere, if men will speak in moderation, and act with gate," said Peggy, but when they looked along the wall to the gate that charity which an honest man must possess. Let us hall no man as they saw it was guarded by iron bars, and beside it was a watchman sitting in a little house. There was leader who preaches hatred and revolution. LYMAN WARD. no chance of getting past either gate or watchman.

Rebuke for a Pulpiteer.

Omaha, Oct. 8 .- To the Editor of played cowboy for nothing!" ex-claimed Billy, and he took from his waist a clothes-line lasso that was fastened there. He whirled the I am not very clever nor The Bee: good writer, as I am too busy working and have been for over 40 lasso around his head and sent the loop flying upward. It settled over years, but I like the News. I read The Bee, too, and the World-Herald, not to say our own good old Pioneer. one of the spikes, and Billy pulled i tight. Before Billy or Peggy could say a word, Rollo had grasped the the best of all of them, begging your pardon. But I absolutely agree with The rope and gone scrambling to the top,

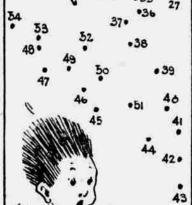
Bee and thousands more when a where he perched, grinning and minister so far forgts his ministerial duties to step on that sacred pulp't and preach such a sermon that will only create harm and discord. Is it any wonder there is doubt about Christianity? Mr. Editor, that doesn't apply to the little church I

go to and thousands of other ones. Why don't he get on a platform like any other decent politician if that is the kind of sermon he wants

Gentle Nazarene did in the House of some 1,900 years ago? He would have done the same thing today. Is it not peculiar that instead of worship and brotherly love, a man solf even if he wants to state things about other men? Has it come to this, that ministers have to preach



ladder



Com Com and What is it that frightens Johnnie

Trace the lines to fifty four. Draw from one to two and so on to the end. up the swaying, twisting ladder to

see if it was safe, and then Peggy

castle," said Billy.

(Tomorrow will be told the strange story of the miri of the tower.) from below, let it down on the other side of the wall and slid to the



ground. They pulled the ladder after them and were ready to go

on. Now they found themselves in the tangled wood with trees and shrub-bery so dense they couldn't possibly force a way to the castle. "Follow me." chattered Bollo, and

away he went up among the branches of the trees, swinging from limb to limb. But Peggy and Billy couldn't follow that way because they were not monkeys. "Rap-a-tap-tap!" sounded a sharp

noise, and there was their old friend Reddy Woodpecker grinning at them. "Follow me!" said Reddy, and he darted to where a small brook babbled from the tangled wood. The stream was almost hidden in the undergrowth, which clos-ed over it like the roof of a tunn but its pebbly bed offered a watery path through the woods. Billy put Peggy on his back and waded cautiously into the darkness.

On and on he went, the tunnel growing darker and darker and the water colder and colder until the bushes closed around them so thickly they could go no further. And Billy's feet were right in the chilly where the brook had its source

"This way," cried Reddy Wood They pecker, darting to one side. followed, stepping through a leafy curtain into a summer house at the edge of the castle lawn. Close at hand was the high castle

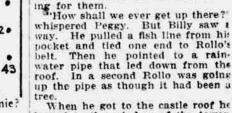
tower in which the beautiful maider was imprisoned. At the foot of the tower was Rollo, the monkey, wait-

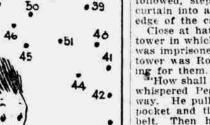
whispered Peggy. But Billy saw t way. He pulled a fish line from his pocket and tied one end to Rollo's belt. Then he pointed to a rain-water pipe that led down from the roof. In a second Rollo was going up the pipe as though it had been a

leaped to the window of the tower Instantly there arose loud screams from within.

"Gracious me! He has scared the beautiful girl into fits!" exclaimed

Peggy. "Yes, and she will alarm the whole followed. When they reached the top they pulled the ladder up, fastened it so it could be jerked free





It might not be out of place to suggest that the arrest of a few "gentleman burglars" and other night prowlers would be welcome news to Omahans.

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Prices being paid for well-bred cattle by Nebraska growers support the notion that faith is still strong in the future of the meat and dairy industries.

Our valued contemporary, the Kansas City Star, is taking a chance by criticising the mayor of the town for his failure to suppress lawlessness, vice and disorder.

John Bull smiles with satisfaction over the arrival of a shipload of whisky from the United States, and his grin is not lessened by the sight of the glum faces the boat left behind

Germany is not to be blockaded yet because of the activity of von der Goltz, who is twiddling is fingers from his nose at the Allied council. omething may have to be done yet to make hat bad boy behave.

Having gotten the world's base ball championship settled, the country may now turn its attention to a few of its minor problems, such as the cost of living, the industrial situation and next season's crops.

If Mr. Wilson could spend six months in Europe without putting the cares of the president on Thomas Riley Marshall, it is conceivable he can take a rest at home and not bother the great Hoosier statesman.

Some service is to be had from the "governor's mansion," for it will provide sleeping quarters for members of the legislature during the extra session that convenes tomorrow. Question is, will the state charge regular hotel rates for the accommodations?

Unqualified and Effective

In their platform declarations the Massachu setts republicans have failed to endorse outright the program of reservations agreed upon and reported out by the foreign relations committee, presided over by Senator Lodge. Instead, the republicans of the Bay State have declared for reservations that shall be unqualified and effective and for early ratification of the treaty. This is interpreted by the administration forces as a rebuke to the Massachusetts senator. Such is

not the case. Mr. Lodge has defined and held to a posi tion that is certainly as definite as that of Mr. Hitchcock for the democratic forces. Mr. Lodge has done this with all the sincerity of his being and sense of responsibility to the country at his command. But what Mr. Lodge seeks is what the Massachusetts republicans have declared he Massachusetts republicans have declared or-reservations that shall be unqualified and factive. Mr. Lodge may hold to his own. pro-men to the end and will thereby be giving full moot of the good conscience of his stand. But the compromise between the outright reserva-tionists and the mild reservationists will doubt-less be found to embody the gist of all that for which Mr. Lodge contends, and be actually un-qualified and effective.

The mild reservationists certainly do not vant to fall short of that mark. They believe that an interpretive form of reservations will answer the purpose without necessitating resub-mission with its detriment, dangers and obstructions to enterprise .- Baltimore American.

tirement from power in congress, and will not permit any interference with that plan.

If the absurd luxury taxes are unrepealed, it is because they have the support of the president. Only under extraordinary conditions can a measure be passed over his veto, and it is very certain he will have the full support of his party in congress in his disapproval of any effort of the republicans to amend the existing revenue law. The democrats are responsible for the situation, not the republicans.

Good Roads and Empty Pews.

An Ohio parson is quoted as expressing a wish that bad weather would spoil the roads, so that his flock would be driven to church instead of joy-riding. It is easy to see why a man with a machine would prefer a ride in the October sunshine to listening to a harangue from such a pulpit. "The woods were God's first temples," and the great outdoors still speaks more eloquently in appeal to man's better nature than any mortal tongue. It is inconceivable that the glories of autumn were to be denied to the enjoyment of humanity, and if finite intelligence can devise the happy combination of good roads and comfortable automobiles, one may without irreverence think it part of the Great Creator's plan that they should be used to the utmost, having always in mind the truth that temperance enhances whatever of pleasure indulgence holds. However this may be, the preacher is hopelessly handicapped in the fall, if at no other time, when every outdoor prospect pleads to lure man from the pew to the highways, the forests and the open places. And the one who prays for rainy weather to deprive his fellows of this benison of the Almighty so he can expound his dry and dusty theses should be compelled to live out-of-doors until he gets the right slant on the relations between man

and his Maker.

Treaty Not to Be Hurried.

Action in the senate on Wednesday makes plain that the final vote on the peace treaty is not to come early. It is not alone that Senator Borah objected to voting on the Shantung amendment in the absence of Senator Johnson. Other senators were opposing the move to push the vote because of their desire to speak. No especial harm is expected to result from this, although we have been assured by supporters of the president that any delay to the ratification of the treaty is fatal to its purpose. Observing the deliberation which has marked the progress of the French assembly, and the delay in Italy and Japan, it does not strike the average man that any especial hurry on part of the United States will be of service. The only one of the "Big Five" to completely ratify the treaty and its League of Nations covenant is Great | Thirty Years Ago in Omaha. Britain, to whose interests the agreements made are advantageous. However this may be, it is now plain enough that the United States senate will not act until the contents of the document have been thoroughly gone over.

The French senate has ratified the Versailles treaty, together with the separate pacts between France, the United States and England. This makes two, and now for the third. Italy's king has issued his decree of ratification, but it yet lacks the approval of an assembly that is to be elected.

ma, they put too much bluing in this water." Which reminds us of another tot sensions have been thawed and dissipated over a cup of coffee! It is not easy to break bread with a man and go away with the same inveterwho exclaimed on seeing the wake of a steamer. "Oh look, mother, the ate hostility. Most normally constituted persons find an attitude of bellicose aloofness boat is losing all its soap."-Boston extremely tiring to maintain. The elementary Transcript. humanity will break through "these trouble-

A Change. some disguises that we wear."-Philadelphia "Boss, the weather's pretty hot. I'd like a couple of weeks off A change would do me good." said the department store salesman. "We're shorthanded," complained No information has been given out as to what the boss "What are you in now?" 'Blankets.'' "Well I can give you a seasonable

will be the powers, privileges and rank of the supreme president of the supreme council of I'll put you among the suits.-Louisville Courierchange. the supreme league of nations when that unique bathing figure appears upon the international scene to Journa

Succeessful Season. Mr. Wilson has demonstrated to his own satisfaction that the league of nations is "greater "What kind of a summer did you than the senate; greater than the governmenthave?" "Splendid, dearie. I got engaged It naturally follows that the supreme presi

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six times." "Any of them for keeps?"-Lou isville Courier-Journal.

head of any single nation, and that, as the embodiment of legal and "moral" powers of a DAILY CARTOONETTE. unique sort, he will take precedence in the social world of diplomacy of all presidents and prime NOW, IF YOU'LL PROMISE ministers, to say nothing of the few emperors and kings who have survived the recent wiping TO KEEP IT TO YOURSELF. out of royalty. If it should be necessary to find a title for the L'LL TELLYOU A SECRET! president of the league corresponding to the Honorable" or "Right Honorable" of political

life, why not borrow the "All Highest" of the Germans, a designation which is not in use anywhere at present?-New York Herald.

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The Day We Celebrate.

Ledger.

Arthur Crittenden Smith, president of the M E. Smith company, was born in 1863.

Maj. Gen. Thomas H. Barry, U. S. A., who today reaches the age for statutory retirement. born in New York city, 64 years ago.

Prof. William Z. Ripley, head of the eco nomics department at Harvard, born at Medford. Mass., 52 years ago.

Right Rev. Benjamin J. Keiley, Catholic bishop of Savannah, born at Petersburg, Va., 72 years ago.

Theodore G. Bilbo, former governor of Mississippi, born in Pearl River county, Mississippi, 42 years ago.

Charles Henry See, pitcher of the Cincinnati National league base ball team, born at Pleasantville, N. Y., 23 years ago.

Charles Risberg, shortstop of the Chicago American league base ball team, born at San Francisco. 25 years ago.

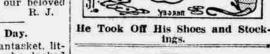
Fred McMullin, utility infielder of the Chicago American league base ball team, born at Scammon, Kas., 28 years ago.

At the shah's visit to the Paris exhibition, the finest diamonds shown are said to have been worn by Mrs. Whitelaw Reid.

Miss Poppleton and Miss Mary Poppleton left for Stamford, Conn., where Miss Poppleton will put her sister in school and remain with her during the winter.

John A. McShane has sold the Waterloo mills to Gustave Wickenberg, a jeweler formerly in business at 510 North Sixteenth street. The purchase also includes a farm of 160 acres. The consideration was \$35,000.

Harry A. Kinney has returned from the St. Louis exposition and is starting a class in popular science.





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room" and the work goes faster. A great ship is launched.