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- inefficiency lawlessness and corrup-4. Frank recognition and commendation
- of honest and efficient public service. 5. Inculcation of Americanism as the true basis of good citizenship.

The city planning board can be spared.

Mr. Bryan also has a message for his party.

The match always finds the leak in the gas

East and west are getting closer together on the air route.

Machine guns for Omaha banks? Nonsense.

Reorganize the police. . The city commissioners are finding out that

Omaha is a growing city. Will the governor accept the bar associa-

tion's choice? Watch him. Only one more day to wait for the presi-

den's message to the democrats. Be patient. Omaha must pay for fire protection-either

hire and equip firemen or settle with insurance

Talk about refinement of cruelty-Germans

are now required to look at motion pictures showing Allied victories! Allies are to act in concert to save the reds

in Hungary from execution. It will be heaping coals of fire on asbestos heads. Italy denies any intention to conclude a

separate peace with Austria. Hardly necessary; Italia Irredente no longer exists.

Another man who should receive attention from Uncle Sam is the millionaire parlor coal digger who finances radical movements.

The "soviet ark" is reported to be headed for the Mediterranean. That is nice; the passengers may get a few days to stretch their legs along the Riviera.

matters over with Lloyd George. This is not secret diplomacy, it is just the European way of settling disputes.

Admiral Jellicoe visited Wall Street as a spectator on Friday. His impressions are not given out, but he probably wished he were safe back on his flagship in the North Sea.

The president is to send an "important word of greeting" to the democrats on Jackson's day. It would be a lot more interesting if old Andy himself could be connected up with the ouija

Watch the coal step upwards. Miners' wages are advanced 14 per cent; operators are forbidden to increase prices; wholesale dealers in Chicago mark coal up 14 cents a ton; retailers follow suit with 60 cents. Write your

One of Senator Watson's charges against the employes of the Federal Trade board is sustained by the Department of Justice, whose agents have arrested one of Mr. Colver's statisticians as a member of the communist party. This also supports the Gladstonian classification of statisticians.

## Progress in Chemistry

The world war has been the cause of many evils, but it has done at least one good thing for the United States in helping it to attain its chemical independence. In that connection the advances made in the manufacture of high explosives and of deleterious gases will occur readily to the mind. Aside, however, from the military point of view, the need for certain chemicals used in the practical arts began to be felt very acutely when the supply was cut off soon after the commencement of the wal in after the commencement of the war in can chemists proceeded to experiment and in a comparatively short time were able not only to manufacture dyes, but also to put to use many rare materials, for the supply of which in ante-bellum days this country was almost

wholly dependent on Germany and Austria. For example, the rare earths from which cerium, thorium and mesothorium are derived come principally from India, Brazil and the Scandinavian countries, but the Germans had secured a well-nigh monopolistic control of the handling of these elements by importing the raw material and putting it through the processes necessary to make it a commercial asset. They then shipped it to all parts of the world, including the United States. For the last year or two American industrial chemistry has made wonderful strides by processing this raw ma-terial at home and thereby saving considerable expense—Washington Star

### REPUBLICANS AND THE WOMEN.

To the women who will vote for president for the first time in 1920 Chalrman Hays of the republican national committee has a message. That he voices the sentiment and purpose of the republican party is not to be doubted. He

The republican party offers the women everything we offer the men. The only just rule for a political party is that the rights of participation in the management of the party's affairs must be and remain equally sacred and sacredly equal.

To this all members of the republican party will subscribe. It is a fundamental, vital principle of the institution. All its members are on the same footing with regard to the share each has in the affairs of the party, each contributing in service and support to the success of the organization, which stands firmly for that sacred equality of all before the law on which the republic is founded.

The time is here for the wiping out of all artificial differences within the party, so that all republicans can again march under the same banner, keeping step to the same tune, and animated by a single impulse, that of giving the country the best government humanly possible. No new place is to be made for the women. Those who have hitherto voted know that they are members of the great political party whose principles meet their approval. Those who have newly come into the franchise may be assured that they are welcome and will share alike with all others. They are not to be set apart in a division by themselves, but will come into the great body of voters and be given full recognition from the first.

Chairman Havs expresses another sentiment that deserves consideration. "I do not ask that all women become republicans," he says. "To which party you belong is of less consequence than that you belong to some party, that you seek the truth, find it out and then act, and act continually." When the women have sought out and discovered the truth, it will not be the republican party that will suffer.

## Is Bryan a Nebraskan?

Has William Jennings Bryan forfeited his right to be classed as a Nebraskan? Not such a long time ago he was commended to the voters of this state because he was "a good neighbor," and his residence was not questioned. Since then quite a bit of water has run under the bridge. The great commoner has accumulated so many homes it keeps him busy visiting them all, but the faithful have always insisted that he belongs to us, and we know he comes here to obtain his seat in the democratic conventions. But here is a repudiation of him. In the New York Times this item

The New York Daughters of Nebraska the other day, at a reception in the home of the president, Mrs. Dexter D. Ashley, 346 Lexngton avenue, expressed themselves as not being interested in any future political move taken by William Jennings Bryan. The president of the society said that she "did not wish

to talk about Mr. Bryan at all." Dr. William J. Taylor, who at one time lived across the street from Mr. Bryan at Lincold, said that he no longer considered him as a Nebraskan, and believed that was the general attitude of most persons from that western state. When one of the women was asked if the Nebraska society planned to give Mr. Bryan a reception when he comes to New York, she answered: "I have not heard that he is coming, and I hope that I don't."

Who are these "Daughters of Nebraska that they presume to tear from the peerless that right of designation to which he himself has clung and on which so many devoted admirers in this outland of America-viewed from Lexington avenue-lovingly hang? No longer a Nebraskan? Shucks! Maybe those dear women who now make their homes in Gotham are not authorized to speak for Nebraska on this point.

## The Legion and Berger.

The Bee has a letter from a man who says he is a member of the American Legion, passing through on his way to Denver. He excepts to the action taken by the local Legionaires at their meeting last Friday, on the ground that it amounts to an entrance into partisan politics. Premier Nitti is now in London, talking The protest then voiced by a member of the Legion is renewed. It is very plain that the writer, in common with the young man who raised his voice at the meeting, does not entirely comprehend the situation as regards the case of Victor L. Berger. Berger's politics have nothing to do with his expulsion from the house of representatives. He sat there once as a socialist, voted as such and was listened to as such. Meyer London has had a similar experience. Berger was expelled from the house of representatives because of disloyal conduct during the war. He is under a sentence of twenty years in the penitentiary because of that conduct. He is unrepentant, but defiantly repeats his offense, and asserts he will continue to do so. No amount of explanation can palliate the action of the Wisconsin voters who have affronted the entire United States by their action in voting for this man, who impudently scoffs at the government and all it stands for. The American Legion has shown only its patriotic spirit in demanding that Berger be denied a seat in the house. It is scarcely possible. though, that such a request is necessary. The house is not at all likely to stultify its record

## Air Mail and Aviation.

Earnest advocates of the extension of government support to aviation are fond of depicting how we as a nation have lagged behind Europe in the matter of aerial navigation. They point to the transatlantic flight, the flight from England to Australia, and to our unreadiness in the war as proofs of neglect. All of these things seem to support their contention, but against it may be set the fact that no nation has made greater practical use of the flying machine than the United States. When the first regular air mail service was established between New York and Washington a step forward was taken. It began the adaptation of the airplane to commercial uses. Steadily the service has been extended, until now it reaches Omaha on its transcontinental course. For the time this city is the western terminal of the longest air-mail route in the world, daily passage on regular schedule between here and New York, now possible and only awaiting the passage of another twenty-four hours to be formally established, exceeding by many miles in length and by many pounds in weight the effort of another nation at similar accomplishment. Aviation is not being neglected to its lasting hurt in America, but is really being fostered along practical lines, to a point where the industry will stand on its own feet, and not depend on government aid or military uses for its

## Revolting the Moral Sense

From the Minneapolis Tribune. The sheriff of Cook county, Illinois, ignor ing the plea of Governor Lowden and other high-minded citizens, men and women, hanged a murderer in the Chicago jail, with 200 other prisoners as involuntary witnesses. He ex-plained that he wished, through the gruesome spectacle, to produce upon these prisoners a moral effect that, he believed, would redound

To put into practice a theory of his, this ex ecutant of the law took an entirely undue lot upon himself. He violated the spirit, if not the letter, of an Illinois law. He failed to take sufficiently into consideration the moral sense of the people of his city and state.

to their good and hence to the good of the

Time was in Illinois and other states when egal executions were more or less public spectacles, but that was long ago. In this more en lightened age it has been the custom under the aws of most states to carry out capital sentences in the presence of a limited number of persons, including the sheriff, his deputies, an attending clergyman, an examining physician, visiting officials and representatives of newspapers or press associations. The purpose has been to avoid, rather than to cater to, publicity. Reputable newspapers generally respect the purpose that underlies these laws. They do not, as in other days, spread minute descriptions of hangings and electrocutions all over the front page as feeders of morbid curiosity and sentiment. This Chicago hanging "lesson" is repugnant to the public sense of decency and propriety. It smacks of frontier days. It is a reversion to obsolete ideas.

Even if it be granted that the Cook county sheriff is correct in his statement that there is too much coddling of criminals these days; if it be true, as he says, that well meaning but misguided reformers and sociologists are doing more harm than good in promulgating their ideas of the proper treatment of criminals, it does not follow that he should take upon himself arbitrarily as a public official the doing of that which revolts the moral and social sense

of a whole city, state or county.

That the correctness of his theory was not borne out in practice in this case seems to have been established by the hooting and cat-calls of the unwilling witnesses who were more interested in having breakfast than in the modus operandi of putting a murderer legally to death in the name of retributive justice.

## The 1920 Census

The years since 1910 have seen great world vents directly affecting the census of 1920, now n progress. The Tripolitan and Balkan wars great conflict with Mitteleuropa have so blocked immigration and set up eastward counter currents that an increment possibly smaller than that of 1910 is looked for. Yet it that increment should shrink from 16,000,000 to 14,000,000, what a record will remain!

Few estimates of the population of the United States proper fall much below 106,000,-000-and in this swiftly swelling mass the proportion of foreign-born is much lower than it was 10 years ago. German scholars should have warned their war lords in 1917 that they were affronting a nation more numerous than that which Spain had fought by an addition greater than the entire Austrian empire-a nation more nearly native American than it had been for years.

In other respects than numbers the change is startling. National wealth has so leaped upward-both in fact and in appearance, owing to the marking up of assets—that most esti-maters are probably too timid. Bold ones who guess at \$300,000,000,000 may be nearer right. In 20 years the value of farm products and deposits in banks, unfailing indices, have quadru-The value of a single year's manufactured product exceeds the entire wealth of any second class nation and some of the first-class ones. The epoch-making changes in shipping and in national gold-holdings are indices of

Unless such bewildering developments shall be accompanied by a sterner sense of public and private duty and of responsibility for our brothermen in every continent, they are a source o weakness, inviting cupidity from without and extravagance and class conflict within. census can measure or assess the American spirit. This, too, we may hope not unreasonbly, will continue to share in the growth of Wonder Land .- New York World.

## Adding to Our Information.

Recent statistics show that money is more plentiful than ever before. How ignorant we would be if it weren't for the statisticians!-At lanta Constitution.



## CHARLES LOCKHART SAUNDERS.

He serves his fellow creatures in the legislave hall and votes with great discretion in the nterests of all, for though the way to do it night be hard for you to find, it's clear as finest crystal to the Charles L. Saunders mind. He has the finished wisdom which would naturally e an attribute of one who's solid with the

But merely being a senator at Lincoln's capitol impressed him as a field of work too cir-cumscribed and small. He aimed to be a congressman at Washington, D. C., but since Nebraska has so few so practical as he, the voters kept him here to plan and labor for the state; his gifts could not be wasted in aerial debate,

He bossed the census taking which was done in 1910. (Say, tempus sure does fugit-it is census time again). He counted up the citizens omposing Omaha, since when a flock of cou ples have been labeled Ma and Pa. a host of then unheard-of folks have dawned upon the view, until the whole tremendous job must now be done anew.

The ladies are admirers of his admirable and with but slight encouragement would follow him for miles; and more than one so says report, would follow him for life, bu he waits and hesitates and will not take a wife. As has been said, decision is embarrassingly checked by wide extension of the field from which you may select.

Nexa Subject-Thomas P. Reynolds.

## The Day We Celebrate.

Abel V. Shotwell, county attorney, bor Rear Admiral Casper F. Goodrich, U. S. N retired, born in Philadelphia 73 years ago. Sir Gordon Hewart, attorney general of Great Britain, born at Bury, England 50 years ago. Rev. Charles A. Richmond, chancellor of Union College, born in New York City 68 years

George Brownson-Howard, author and play wright, born in Howard county, Md. 36 years

## Thirty Years Ago in Omaha.

Mrs. S. S. Ewell and daughters of New York were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E

C. L. Chaffee was elected president of the new city council. . L. Brandeis, senior member of the firm of J. L. Brandeis & Sons, left for an extended A quiet wedding occurred at the Holy Family

church at 8:15 a. m., in which Mr. A. H. Lee and Miss Jennie Murphy were the principals. Mr. R. C. Patterson, just returned from Europe, sold his interest, in the Mechanics and Traders bank and retired from the presidency of that institution.

# Our Free Legal Aid

State your case clearly but briefly and a reliable lawyer will furnish the answer or advise in this column. Your name will not be printed.

# Let The Bee Advise You.

Reward. M. R. Please let me know whether a policeman who recovers stolen property for which the owner has offered a reward, is entitled to the can be recovered where the owner refuses to pay?

Answer: A police officer who in you start out with the idea of the performance of his duty as such complishing something besides recovers and returns to its owner, cooking and eating your dinner. stolen property is not entitled to recover a reward offered by the own of interesting things as objects for er for such recovery and return. in a year and all having to do with

False Imprisonment. A Constant Reader. Please answer the following under your legal advice column. How long does it take for statute of limitation to run on a damage suit for false arrest and detion run for the same on resident as it does for non-resident of state Answer: One year.

## EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS.

Chance for Reprisals. Perhaps the relatives of the mas sacred Armenians may find some ican dentist has been in attendance n the sultan of Turkey.-New York

Very Important Nowadays. A Philadelphia clergyman says that negro automobile labor is better paid than labor in the pulpit. But dear man! negro automobile labor i very important in the moder scheme of living-Rochester Herald

What He Understood. General Ludendorff cannot sneal word of English. But the American and British armies, speaking through their guns, managed to make him understand what they were driving at.—Boston Transcript

Slipping Into the Country. It is said that more Russian reds are slipping into this country the government is sending out of it. And the statement would still be true if only half a dozen had slipped in.— Kansas City Journal

Who Is Helping? Who, if anyone, is doing anything o help win the war on high prices?

-Atlanta Constitution Moment of High Hope. On of the advantages of the free electricity in the air these cold morn-

ngs is that what little hair the middle-aged man has stands on end so e thinks for a few fleeting moments that new hair is coming in.—Grand Rapids Press. Send Them All Over.

Bolshevik "Ambassador" Martens declared that all anarchists deported from the United States will be comed to soviet Russia. Let's send the whole bunch over.-Columbus Dispatch.

A Timely Suggestion. is suggested that we keep our coal this winter in the empty sugar bowl .- Amsterdam Recorder.

## ODD AND INTERESTING.

More fish is eaten by the Japanese than any other nation.

In the Amazon there are known to exist at least 2,000 species of fish Reptiles rarely die in day-light usually between nightfall and mid-

X of the league of covenant would are place the world in a straightjacket. In Samoa nearly all habies taught to swim before they are two Needles were first made in 1545. that a straightiacket is highly advis when the making of 10 was a good able.-St. Paul Pioneer Press.

days work. Soundings have been obtained over all parts of the ocean, even in the In the English language there are a thing; socialism is a thing. But nowhere has bolshevism or social-

more surnames beginning with "W" than any other letter. Thackeray used to lift his hat whenever he passed the house in which he wrote "Vanity Fair." When a Tartar invites an honored guest to eat and drink he will take him by the ear and lead him to

thing against the peace and order of his country aids the enemy. What more does the Department of Justice The sound of a bell, which can be leard 45,000 feet through the water, desire?-New Orleans States. can be heard through the air only

In Sweden the doctors seldon send bills to their patients. Each patient pays what he deems just or is Physicians of Spain are by no means well paid, and they are expected to attend the poorer classes without any charge at all.

Girmingham, England, where something like 50,000,000 pins are manufactured every working day France has some 5,000 miles of canals, which are broad and deep enough to carry barges of six feet draught and of 300 tons burden. Ostriches are the largest feathered creatures existing and one of these birds will sometimes measure eight

Butterflies, which are very proific in Australia, are suffocated in millions by the aborigines, and, sep-arated from their wings, pressed into cakes and eaten.

An odd and highly remunerative employment is that of those men and women who make a business of

eet in height and weigh 300 pounds.

inventing cable codes for large financial houses and merchants dealng in overseas trade. In Japan spiders spin their webs

on the telegraph wires so thickly that the current is somtimes seriously affected. Sweeping the wires is frequently a waste of time, as the piders immediately begin spinning as fast as before.

IN THE BEST OF HUMOR. "Philip, I think you married me for money."
"Well, dear, I believe I earned it
don't you?"—Houston Post.

"A woman is more graceful than a man," observed the Sage.
"Not when she's getting off a street car," commented the Fool.—Cincinnati

Chase (growing bald rapidly). Old man, what's a good thing to keep the Brase (bright young man)—Cigar box. -Fort Bayard News. "My boy, John, says he gets mighty poor food down at college."
"Yes? William hasn't complained yet about the food, but he says the gasoline is flerce."—Judge.

Miss Fairleigh (from Vermont)—I fee ost in all this noise and hurry of you ir city. Mr. Smart—If findings is keepings, liss Fairleigh, Fil head a search party. -Boston Transcript.

"I tapped him on the back and I said "Well, old chap, you're a regular feller." "Well" "And, by George, it was a girl."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The ex-soldier was watching the gob holystone the deck. "Thank Heaven!" he exclaimed, "we didn't have to go out and scrub No Man's Land every morning before break-fast."—The Home Sector.

BUSINESS IS GOOD THANK YOU Gotham—He's employed by the city.
"Oh, is that it? I thought he worked
it something!"—Yonker's Statesman. Claudia propped her elbows on the bay to where the great dreadnoughts loomed like grim battlemented islets. "The lambs!" she breathed.—London

# Little Folks' Corner 3

Woodcraft

Girl Scouts

Hiking. By ADELIA BELLE BEARD.

There is plenty of fun in any hike for the right kind of boy or girl,

but there is more punch in it when

you have an object in view-when

The woods and fields offer scores

woodcraft. Here are some sugges-

gather it, and take it home. Try to

ind where the winter birds hide.

Identify trees by their winter buds.

bark, and shape, Locate softwood

and hardwood trees. Find the outlet

of a lake or pond. Gather pitch pine

brightly. Identify animal and bird

This list of Don'ts and Do's is an

other help toward the full enjoy-

DO be sure your feet are in good

DON'T wear new, tight, high-neeled, or pointed-toed shoes.

DO let your outer coat be warm

but not too long or cumbersome.

Long coats are tiring because they

DON'T wear anything you are

DO take only good walkers with

DON'T neglect to tell your family

DO carry notebook and pencil.

DON'T forget anything you are

DO all of your share of any work

DON'T worry, grumble, or whim-

DO keep your eyes and ears open

to see and hear things of the wild.

DON'T go so far that you will

be tired before you start back.

DO be happy. (Next week: "Path Finding.")

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Must Keep Us Quiet.

Judging by what the world has been doing these past five years, we'll say

Americanism and Bolshevism.

Americanism is not a thing, it is

way Americans live. Bolshevism is

sm been successfully lived .- The

Enough to Proceed On.

Technically we are at war. Tech-

ically the radical who does any-

DOT PUZZLE.

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Trace the dots and find a -

Next I'll tell you what to do,

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Review.

Hiram Johnson says that Article

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to find others for yourself.

Por Boy and

# Young Citizen's Adventures

The Census Taker. "Here boy, what's your name?"
"Hunting Eye."

"Where do you live?"
"In the North Woods." "Well you're sort of out of my erritory. If you want to get in on this census, you'll have to get back up there.' The curiosity of the Indian boy

was now aroused. This man had hike, more than you can take up started to question him while he was peacefully standing in front of the house of his friend, the mayor, tions that will set your mind and memory to work. You will be able and he wanted to know the reason "What is the census?" he asked "It is the counting of the people." Hunt for the trailing ground pine.

"Oh, that ought to be easy." "Well, it isn't. It is a big job The government has many thousands of men and women working on it. You see the United States government must know, from time to time, how many people there are in the country. So every 10 years, a count is taken of them.

"But the government needs to know many things besides the mere number of people. So instead of merely counting noses, the census takers find out a lot of other information about each person. You can see from looking at this form. For instance, we find out whether the person has any property, his age, color, whether he is married if he was born here, if he can read and write, his native language, his occupation, whether he works for himself or for some one else. All of these things it is important for the government to know. "What is done with this?"

"The census is taken under the knots to make your home fires burn direction of the census bureau at Washington. After we get through



filing in on these forms the information for all the people, the material is sent to the census bureau. This bureau puts together the information from all over the country. Then it puts all this into a report which it publishes. This report is usually made up of from 10 to 15 or more books, each one of them as thick through as your head It is distributed to people through the country at a certain price, so

## A WINTER EVENING.

and whir of winss,
as if the trees and hedges and all insensate things
Were struggling in their slumber to reach
the time that brings
The glamour and the wonder and the
gladness of new springs.

The mystic sounds of night-time, the creak of homeward carts.

The whistling of a drover, the best of hidden hearts.

The birth-cry of a babe who on life's journey starts— The sobs of lonely mourners as some loved

The warmth and glow of night-time, with doors and windows tight, dressing gown and slippers, the old dog well in sight, favorite book, the fireside—oh, com-fort and delight! indeed, what is more peaceful than shut-in winter night

And yet outside my window seems to come a whir of wings.

As if to stir my being with desire for other things—
With yearning for the promise that pulsing morrow brings.

The exchaniment and the rapture, the fulfillment of new springs:
—Caroline Russell Bispham in the New York Times.

# DAILY CARTOONETTE SHIPWRECKED ON A DESERT ISLAND I MUST FIND IF MYBODY ELSE

that not only the government, but everybody can use the figures that it contains. (Next week: "The big univer-

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