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basis of good citizenship.

Bryan swats the profiteers with words, but words break no bones.

Bismarck called the turn on the kaiser long ago, but kept it to himself.

Two hundred moonshiners in Douglas

county? Where is Gus Hyers? Little "flu" as yet is detected in Omaha, but

that is all the more reason for being careful.

There'll be less headache in the United States this morning than on any Sunday for many years

With the men fighting for shorter hours and

Life insurance is one good way to practice thrift, and if you play the game right you do not have to die to beat it.

A local minister figures that silken hosiery teel good to the wearer's legs.

A ship full of firewater abount to founder at sea might not have excited notice a few years ago, but things are different now.

It sounds kind of natural to hear from Emma Goldman that she looks forward to meeting the chief of police in Petrograd.

fering Europe, and we can think of no reason why the people down there should not respond. Sam Gompers' views on the sedition bill are

South Africa is hearing an appeal from suf-

sound. We have laws in plenty now to cover the matter. Danger lies in the direction of re-If Senator Owen can deliver forty demo-

cratic senators to vote for "reasonable reservations," the outcome depends solely on what they consider reasonable.

Turkey quite naturally objects to being carved, but the knives are already whetted, and the crime of the early Fifteenth century is about to be atoned by the Twentieth.

seats in the Diet, after a warning that they would be expelled from the party if they did not. In New York it was the other way round.

A Chinese writer proves that Hindenberg used the strategy of a great Chinese general who flourished three centuries before the Christian era. And, he might have added, their finish was the same.

The governor of Wisconsin has decided to call a recess in the Berger farce by declining to order another special election in the Fifth Wisconsin district. This sets his "vindication" over until next fall.

### Plumb and His New Panacea

Glen Plumb and Charles M. Schwab do not speak the same language. The steel magnate, once a workman, familiar with every phase of shop life from the ground up, has just told the public that the only way to solve the industrial situatiton is to get at it in a "practical spirit" and not by-booklore nor by attending conventions and passing resolutions. Mr. Plumb, instead of taking a hint from the notebook of a superworker like Schwab, is out in another dream of a "tripartite industrial paradise." which is even more complicated in method and vague in philosophy than his plan for taking over the railroads in the country largely in the

interest of those who work on them. The new Plumb scheme will rally few suporters among the organized labor groups Who among them will understand what he meant when he says that "labor is to receive its return upon its investment of human effort just that rate of wages which in the free markets of the world procures the service of that class of labor, and, in addition to wages, shall receive its share of all the savings which labor can effect in the processes of production." This is the kind of a double back-action reversible statement that may mean anything or may

mean nothing.
Robbed of its professorial card-catalogue language, Mr. Plumb's general scheme is little better than sovietism, de-Russianized, but quite as tyrannical as anything that Lenine with his Asiatic contempt for the individual ever imagined could be put into effect.—Philadelphia

### KAISER CALLED TO THE BAR.

The move on part of the Entente Allies to carry out Article 227 of the Treaty of Versailles calls William Count von Hohenzollern, late king and emperor of Prussia and Germany, to the bar to answer for "a supreme offense against international morality and the sanctity of treaties." The text of the article of the treaty reads:

The Allied and Associated Powers publicly arraign William II of Hohenzollern, formerly German emperor, for a supreme offense against international morality and the sanctity of treaties. A special tribunal will be constituted to try the accused, thereby assuring him the guarantees essential to the right o It will be composed of five judges, one to be appointed by each of the following powers, namely: the United States of America, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan.

In its decision the tribunal will be guided by the highest motives of international policy, with a view to vindicating the solemn obligation of international undertakings and the validity of international morality. It will be its duty to fix the punishment which it considers should be imposed. The Allied and Associated Powers will address a request to the government of the Netherlands for the surrender to them of the ex-emperor in order that he may be put on trial.

Germany has solemnly and formally assented to this through the acceptance and delivery of ratifications of the treaty. Raising now the point that consent was contingent on the United States being a party to the proceedings seems a mere quibble. Although the United States has not yet formally ratified the treaty, it is notorious that objections do not lie in any sense against the article that provides for the

trial of the ex-emperor. Nor does it appear reasonable that the absense of the United States from the formal exchange of ratifications will exclude it from taking any part in the carrying out of the terms of that treaty. It has been held that it was appropriate action to withdraw from the supreme council, for the reason that continuance there might incur some obligation under the treaty that we would not wish to accept, but this does not argue that we would be estopped as a nation from assuming such obligation vol-

Accepting this view, there is nothing in sight to prevent a representative of the United States from sitting on the court before which the former German emperor will be presented. The question will be thoroughly debated from all its angles before a decision is reached, but with the ratification of the treaty by the United States daily coming closer, the hopes of the head of the Hohenzollerns to escape trial by an international tribunal hang on a slender thread if resting solely on the inability of the United States to form part of the court.

### Daniels on the Defensive.

The course of the Navy department in connection with the war will be the subject of a full inquiry by the senate. This is the direct outcome of the startling assertions made by Admiral Sims before a subcommittee last week. The secretary of the navy says he is ready, and the women for longer, it looks as if an umpire that full investigation will be welcomed by him. "The more thoroughly the entire record is laid before the people of this country," says Mr. Daniels, "the greater the pride they can have in the achievements of their navy. The country will be entirely reassured when matters are brought to a showdown,"

This is exactly what has been demanded for long time, a showdown as to the management of the navy under the direction of the present secretary. At different times the secretary has found himself at variance with high officers of the service, and has never failed to interpose his will and authority against those whose experience in maritime matters ought to give their judgment weight. The charges now made by Admiral Sims are but a continuing part of some other things that have been hushed up. The lost letter from Admiral Fiske, who reported in 1914 on the unpreparedness of the United States naval establishment, is a case in point. The policy of the department in 1915 and 1916 was not then and is not now such as indicated a lively appreciation by the secretary of the gravity of the situation.

The circumstances under which the Fiske report disappeared and then mysteriously reappeared reflect no credit on the Navy department. It has been publicly charged that the secretary of the navy cited to Admiral Fiske the objection of Admiral Dewey to his continuance on the Navy board, and that Dewey personally in the presence of others said to Fiske he never used the language or expressions attributed to him by the secretary.

All these things should be gone into. Either Socialists in Hungary have resigned their our navy needs a cleaning up, or the Navy department needs a new head.

### Mr. Bryan's Present Paramount.

Those who love to think of the dear old days of a dead past will find much pleasure in following William Jennings Bryan on his excursions into the well remembered battle fields, whereon he combatted masterfully against the money devil and the demons of monopoly. The great commoner has turned again to the issues of other days, and brings forth public ownership and the overthrow of monopoly as the great overshadowing paramount of the coming campaign. There may be other paramounts, plenty of them, perhaps, but none so potent in its quality of paramountey as the one he has adopted.

To be sure, the outline he gives of his campaign issue reminds us of that time when he took hold of the trusts before and sought to separate the sheep from the goats, the tares from the wheat, and to divide them into the classification he planned, according as to whether they were benevolent or malevolent. The one he would foster, the other he would exterminate. In his present crusade, he would do away with all monopolies, owning by the and in the name of the people those industries that are not competitive. Disregarding the fact that Karl Marx beat him to it, the curious mind may puzzle itself a little over how the distinction is

to be drawn.

Just now we are witnessing the dissolution of the so-called packers trust into its several parts, that a "competitive" basis may be established. While the great thrust of the government has been against the "big five," it is an interesting fact that at least ninety-five packing concerns are comprised within the association. Plenty of competition here. So with the steel trust, the oil "monopoly," even the wires of commerce, and other things. No absolute monopoly has yet been set up in the United States, unless by special grant of congress under the patent laws. What the railroad companies ask is that they be permitted to return to a competitive basis of operations,

### As to "Muffing Its Mission"

From the American Legion Weekly.

It should be very clearly understood that the American Legion is very much in politics. The august Saturday Evening Post rises lately to question editorially the American of The Bee: May I call for a few Legion's decision at Minneapolis to keep out of minutes your as well as your read partisan politics. It suggests that the legion "muffed its mission" when the charter convention ruled that "this organization shall be absolutely nonpolitical and shall not be used for nonpolitical, and shall not be used for are doing and for which we alone the dissemination of party principles or for the are responsible, or if we shall ac promotion of the candidacy of any person seek- cept their kind of criticism as a ha

ing political office or preferment." Let us suppose that it had been otherwise; that this sage advice had been given and accepted by the American Legion before its convention. Endorsements for president of the United States would have been an early order of business, no doubt. Imagine, if you can, the leaves of the American Legion in Colorado, Washington and New Jersey having condemned to the condemned of business, no doubt. Imagine, if you can, the leaves delegation delegation delegation delegation delegation delegation delegation and the color of your legion delegation and the color of your legion delegation and the color of your legion delegation delegation and the color of your legion delegation and the color of your legion delegation and the color of your legion and your legion and the color of yo of business, no doubt. Imagine, if you can, the legion delegates from sat Massachusetts, Nebraska, Texas. Illinois, Washington, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and California, agreeing just who should be the next president and going in heavyweight athletics. They have been secondingly. State done it without reasoning at all, and home to govern themselves accordingly. State delegations with favorice sons on their hands more without considering the conse-might have been out-voted in some instances, if quences in the sport circles of fornot convinced. And the League of Nations would have come up for organized consideration and action, followed by prohibition, ownership of railways and every other issue that ship of railways, and every other issue that aires, who came in the army as field stairs button. From the button he would have been represented by a few adherents, enthusiasts and lobbyists.

What an hour of joy for the practical politicians and practical lobbyists. We are assuming, poor buck private. Jack Dempsey that practical politicians continue to exist and has worked in the shipyard, and by flourish even at this late date. And that their tary or naval service, but more than purely tactical uses, methods, ethics and even that, Jack Dampsey, the branded powers are unimpaired as a result of the war, slacker, has done exhibition work And that they would have lost all claims to as pugilist and turned the money being practical politicians if they were not inside the convention enclosure once the gates were open. Such being the case, their lieutenants would have been on the job early and late "practical advice." for otherwise these rank political amateurs of the legion might spend all make money for those who were their time expounding and applying mere boyhad brought back ish ideals that they training areas and battlefields, and thus forget to deliver the political bacon.

Patronage, of course, would have been bartered like futures in wheat. Beneficial soldier's of scolding. legislation would have gone on the trading toned Button days" are over block and into the pork barrel, to be doled out in return for political support. If after such performance the legion had inquired where congress stood on this measure or that, it would of course, have been more or less practical had individual congressmen made discreet inquiry as to just how much legion support was coming attention to an article appearing in their way at the polls next election.

The Bee on January 13, written by

With the nation! convention setting pace and example, the same performance, of course, would have been reproduced in miniature in every state convention and local post meeting in the country. Picture the joy of the practical politician were the local posts of the egion a succession of hiving political camps, partering and trading with old-timers for patronage and support. Picture a state or county machine getting behind the legion's bronzed candidate for constable in return for the legion's support for the machine's impeccable candidate for governor. Possibly with an appointment as assistant warden thrown in to democrats there for him. Since boot, if a shrewd bargain were driven. had the legion's vision of its true mission been so dwarfed as to lead it into the wilderness of partisan politics, it inevitably would have gone into these practical plays for patronage, pres-

It is merely a triffing detail that it would have required at once a division of the American Legion into at least two great parts—the American Legion auxiliary to the republican party and the American Legion annex for the more than disgusted this country are more than disgusted with our present state administraparty and the American Legion annex to the democratic party. It would have been a bit tion and some of its "messes," for early to expect lifelong party men in the legion example the Kirk affair.

But Mr. Bryant should not feel to abandon their parties completely on a maof their new organization-the American Legion.

But they are merely keeping their collective a duty that could be performed by aloofness of their organization from party entanglements. They were practical enough to know that there are a lot of things out of kilter with our political At the same time they knew that fundamentally the government is sound enough and good enough for any human being, idealist or otherwise. So how quicken the political life and conscience of the country? How bring ideals and the practical everyday application of those ideals into closer co-operation. Through political parties, no doubt; but certainly not by jumping pell-mell in the heat of a white-hot political campaign which meant division of the ranks at the outset and an ultimate assimilation by political parties.

The mistake is frequently made of ruling the American Legion out of politics because of its Minneapolis action. It should be clearly understood that the American Legion is ver much in politics. Its members belong to political parties, and no doubt they will keep up their affiliation with these parties in so far as the country is run through parties. As individnals they are free to become candidates, and no doubt there not only will be a demand for them in public life but a response fully great enough

But they are merely keeping their collective voice free from party entanglements. They are not keeping their organization out of the political life of the country but out of the clutches of the practical politicians. If the American Legion as an organization has chosen to hold aloof from the old parties, if it is going to work through them rather than with them, it is because it does not intend to burn its bridges behind it and be absorbed into nothingness. It is because it prefers to watch the political parties of the present and see that they meet, as they must meet, the standards of an inevitable new era in American political life. It is because it prefers being a political spur to being a political asset.

We believe that, far from "muffing" its mis sion," the American Legion merely escaped its extinction when, at its charter convention, i refused to divide its strength into rival political camps and cast its hat with a whoop into the

The Day We Celebrate.

Harriet Stanton Blatch, a noted leader of the American woman suffrage movement, born at Seneca Falls, N. Y., 64 years ago.

Furnifold McL, Simmons, United States senator from North Carolina, born in Jones county, North Carolina, 66 years ago. Thomas D. Boyd, president of Louisiana State university, born at Wytheville, Va., 66

Rt. Rev. Frederick Eis, Catholic bishop of Marquette, born near Coblenz, Germany, 77

Josef Hofmann, one of the world's most celebrated pianists, born in Galicia 43 years ago. William H. James, pitcher of the Chicago American league base ball team, born in Detroit 32 years ago.

Thirty Years Ago in Omaha.

The county commissioner voted \$500 for the relief of indigent soldiers.

The ladies of the Parish aid society of Trinity Cathedral gave the second of their series of parties in the parlors of the cathedral. Miss Nash gave a cotillion at which 20 guests were present.

Mrs. E. A. Cudahy gave a high five party honor of her nieces, the Misses Cudahy of icago. Mrs. Anna M. Yates won the first Chicago.

engagement of Miss Mamie McLa to Mr. George R. Crandall was appounced.

Omaha, Jan. 18 .- To the Editor of human nature, without any further notoriety as that of let the

Washington, and never left the shore and don't know anything more about soldiering than to over to the Red Cross for the recres tion fund for wounded soldiers. thank today the members Legion posts in Colorado, Washington and New Jersey condemned the man who sacrificed his free time to democracy that they may have a

It was for you and me, buddies of the American Legion, therefore le BERT BAHR.

Member of American Legion

Democrats in Thayer County. Carleton, Neb., Jan. 17.—To the Editor of The Bee: Several citizens one J. H. Bryant of this place. They are puzzled to know what he was attempting to say.

An ex-editor ought to surely be able to make himself understood. The facts are that Mr. Bryant has been census enumerator before and had sent in his application this time, and had walked to Hebron. our county seat, through the deep-est snow of the season to take the When he got there he examination. did not take the examination, but came home on the first train and was the only applicant from this precinct they could do nothing else but give me the appointment.

upon examination of past records resentation among the county offi

But Mr. Bryant should not feel the rain.)
o pessimistic. He is still our street so pessimistic. commissioner, if he did get the posi-tion partly by self-appointment. We honor him as a member of our town council and we stand ready to help him to other places of usefulness in our little village and precinct. admonish him, however, to throw off his cloak of gloom and despon-

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# The Boe's Little Folks' Corner ?

By Carolyn Sherwin Bailey. Often the shops that sell beauti

short lengths of bright cretonne, pil-

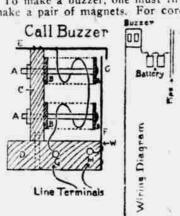


Home-made Call Buzzer. By GRANT M. HYDE.

boy's mother would be grateful for a signal or buzzer system leading from boy's room or den to the kitchen so that she might call him by pressing a button. The boy who des not feel cap-

string the line, and in most houses water or steam pipes will serve as one wire. He will then fasten the buzzer to the wall in his done it without reasoning at all, and room, run an insulated copper wire from one of its connections to a pair of dry cells, then to the nearsome of our elected representatives est pipe. Grounding on any pipes will complete the circuit and cause

Home-Made Buzzer. To make a buzzer, one must first nake a pair of magnets. For cores



(O) Switch

A and A), use two 3-in, bolts, take of this county have lately called my out temper by heating red hot and allowing to cool slowly. Fit them round pasteboard end-pieces with in (B, B, B, B,) to hold the wiring Then wind them carefully like a spool of thread with very fine magnet wire, one clockwise, as shown Then put the core-bolts through piece of wood, 3x41/2 in., (C) and se up the nuts. The base (D) should be a heavier piece of wood. For a clapper (F), use spring steel, say a heavy corset steel, fastened to D with screws, so that it stands 14-in from the magnet core ends. For a phone wire bent as shown and fas tened to C with staples so that it can be moved. Adjustments are provided by sliding E back or forth and by slipping a small wedge, whittled from a match, under F at

> In operation F should -and so on. Careful adjustments may be needed.

(Tomorrow learn how to hike in

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Efficiency Methods.
When half a dozen women get together they all talk at once. If they didn't they would never get through

### Liberty Press.

monish him, however, to this cloak of gloom and desponders and try to forget the past.

E. E. LICHTY.

Can Elect Onc.

It is reported that 95 per cent of the people of Hungary want a king. Well, can't 95 per cent of any free nation get together and elect a king?

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Dear Food.

People who never tasted venison have been eating dear food for a long time now.—Atlanta Constitution.

MIGHT'S CUKIAIN.

When the sun has sunk low in the west.

And the song birds no longer we hear, To us the soft willight has come and the glow of the firefly is near; There is rest for all who have tolled. For work for the day has been stopped, and peace and contentment there is When the curtain of night has been dropped.

When the stars in the heaven shine bright. And the planet and milky-way see The white clouds that float slowly o'er Like the finest of lace, fliagree, No more beautiful scene can there be.

'Tis a sight that is not overtopped, when upon the world's busy stage.

The curtain of night has been dropped.

"The curtain of night has been dropped."

## AFRAID TO EAT MEALS

"Pape's Diapepsin" is the best

### low size. Two or three of these will be enough to make several attractive things for your room to go with the The New Cretonne Pillow. What is the color of your room-blue, pink or yellow? Whatever color matches, make a pillow cover of that color in plain linen or a cotton material. Carefully cut out the flowers or birds from a piece of



chintz of a contrasting color and sew them with small over and over What has Noodle drawn titches to the plain background These designs should be artistically arranged, not too close together to spoil the effect. If you want a very gay one use a black cover, sateen or

A Tea Set.

If you have a chafing dish or a tea service in your room to help in entertaining your girl friends after school, why not make a table cover and small napkins to use with them? Use coarse, unbleached linen. Cut iny flower bouquets or baskets of flowers from a length of chintz that has a small, bright design. Sew these chintz figures to one corner of each of the napkins and to the four corners of the table cover just as you put them on the pillow cover. The stitches will hardly show if yo make them fine enough. Last of all, fold very narrow hems and crossstitch them down with mercerized cotton that matches the prevailing color of the chintz design. This se

For Phone Numbers. The scraps of cretoune that are left will make you a dainty telephone directory. An oblong piece of heavy cardboard about the size of a cabinet photograph is the foundation. Cut a piece of cotton wadding to fit one side, glue it on and then cover the whole with some sort of firm lining material. Cut a back and front of cretonne, fold the edges in and oversew them together, cover ing the cardboard. Last of all glue a small note book or pad to the center of the cretonne, add a colore

will be really beautiful and so dif

cord, and hang it up beside the tele-(Tomorrow Hunting Eye gets



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