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You should know that

There are 130,000 farms in Nebraska, averaging 300 acres in size of which 63 per cent are improved. 60 per cent operated by owners.

See you at the Auto Show tonight?

If you can not find the car you want at the Omaha Auto Show, you are hard to suit.

One of the president's troubles left him when the railroads went back to their owners.

Mr. Bryan insists that prohibition is to be the great issue. Most folks thought that was

Omaha is glad to finally become in fact as well as in name the home of the great Overland

Nebraska women are also getting into line for Pershing. They know who they want for

If Omaha people are not a healthy lot during the next few years, it will not be for lack of advice.

The dry lands of Idaho do not look good to the man who is accustomed to the fertile plains of Nebraska. Real estate men look for even greater ac-

tivity in city lots this season than last. Do your shopping early. Two more Americans have been murdered

by Mexicans, one a former consul, and "watchful waiting" still reigns.

San Francisco hotel men deny that they are

holding up prospective convention visitors. Regular rates are enough. Italian maid servants, among other demands,

ask for two cigarettes a day. They may contract the habit if this is granted.

reputations are likely to be saved. A Kansas City parson has distinguished

himself by refereeing boxing bouts held in his church. Muscular Christianity, all right. Kansas City comes forward with the cham-

pion rent-profiteer. He only asks an annual return of \$33,600 on an investment of \$85,000.

True to his Welsh extraction, Lloyd George has taken up singing in lieu of golf. An eisteddfodd still has something on a golf tournament.

Doctors have noted a decided improvement in the president's physical condition within the last two weeks. So did the democratic party.

We would like to unassumingly remind the new Union Pacific regime that one of Omaha's greatest needs is an adequate passenger sta-

The fuel administration will be continued with Walker D. Hines at its head. He will not get things in any worse muddle than Dr. Garfield left.

Railroads are back under separate management, but you will buy your tickets at the same old stand. This convenience might profitably be continued.

If Glenn B. Plumb takes the stump against every congressman who did not support his "plan," he is going to be a pretty busy speaker for the next few weeks.

The coalition of "irreconcilables" and "administration" forces in the senate indicates how eager some of the democratic leaders are to get action on the treaty. If they were in earnest in their profession, the matter could be disposed of in a week, but tying up with the handful of senators who only seek to defeat the Versailles pact throws at least a shadow of suspicion on the sincerity of the democrats.

Self-Determination Success

While less dramatic than the return of Alsace-Lorraine to France and exciting less pop-ular interest than the restoration of independence to several Central European nations upon the breakup of the empires, the return of the Province of Schleswig to Denmark as a result of the recent plebiscite is no less a vindication of the president's principle of self-determina-

prompted Prussia to acquire every other province it could—simply self-aggrandizement. With characteristic Prussian methods the attempt was made to Germanize the Danish people, but the failure in the northern zone, which has just voted, is emphasized by the fact that the present generation voted at the ratio of

three to one to return to Danish sovereignty.

The inability of the Germans to assimilate other peoples is shown in this vote, which rights an old wrong.

Perhaps the application of this principle of self-determination of peoples cannot be made in some other states in Europe owing to the in some other states in Europe owing to the mixture of the population inhabiting them, but it is the only principle upon which Europe is going to secure lasting peace.—Houston Post.

THE WHEREABOUTS OF GEN. PERSHING'S HEAD AND FEET.

The habitual abode of Gen. Pershing's head and feet concerns the people. As a possible nominee for president to succeed a gentleman whose head has been far up in mists of impracticable idealism, while his feet were stuck in a bog of stubborn egotism, an inquiry into the general's mental attitudes and ability to step to

the music of the Union is opportune. In the crises the great general has met, as in his routine performance of duty-in peace and in war-his feet have been on solid ground and his head out of the clouds. He has never been mentally disturbed by visions or mysterious voices in the air. He is first and last a prac-

Uncommonly endowed with common sense, he has always seen things as they actually were and has done things as they should be done. working with the precision and power developed in a nicely adjusted equipment of brains, strengthened by a sound body. He made dents and gaps wherever he hit the Hindenburg line, and left the enemy crippled and frightened. The vanities and vainglories of war found no lodgment in his head. The ribbons and jewelry, fuss and feathers, gold lace and millinery of high military rank never made a monkey of John Pershing. His head was always on straight. His tongue was never out of order. Like General Grant, he knew how and when to keep it quiet.

He has been just that way during all his eareer. As a lieutenant of cavalry in 1886, as a major of volunteers in the Spanish-American war period at a brigadier-general in 1906, as a major-general in 1916, and as a four-star general in 1920, his balance has been uniformly steady. He has honestly earned every honor and promotion that has come to him. Stable and reliable, always on his job, he has developed executive ability of the highest order, and always got results when not hampered by Washington bureaucrats.

America is proud of him, and particularly pleased because the flattery and royal pomp of Europe, which unbalanced some Americans in high position, failed to shake his loyalty to the cherished traditions and constitutional independence of his native land. He has never exploited himself to attract attention or win applause, or imagined himself to be anything but plain American. In such publid appearances as were unavoidable since his return from Europe, when thrilled by the tumultuous acclaim of his fellow-countrymen, he has been the personification of quiet and unassuming dignity, and has voiced his gratitude by giving his gallant army all credit for the plaudits showered

He does not slop over. Even the widespread invitation for him to enter the lists for the republican nomniation for the presidency has not tightened his hat band. In striking contrast to the common procedure of candidates, he is neither promoting nor directing a campaign for the nomination.

If chosen for the chief magistracy, it will be in keeping with his career for him to surround himself, as he did in Europe, with the ablest advisers in the country-not with subservient political vassals-to work with him for the solution of national problems left unsolved by an administration that has neglected the needs of the United States under the hallucination that it was to be the savior of the world. The Bee believes General Pershing is The "rum rebellion" at Iron River will not faithful to the principles established by the be publicly investigated, and thereby several founders of the nation, and that he is inspired by the same deep solicitude for the national welfare which the good citizen has for his family, the farmer for his farm, the merchant for his business, the manufacturer for his product and the laborer for his efficiency.

Such a man should be sent to the White House. We have had there enough and more than enough of unsound theory, of meddling and muddling, of neglect of essential things, of overleaping ambition for power over foreign countries, of imperious arrogance, of narrow partisanship, of distrust and jealousy, of attempts to nullify the constitutional authority of an independent branch of the government, and of humiliating displays of anger and petulance. A return to normal conditions is plainly the desire of the people. General Pershing's fitness both for the presidency and the times cannot successfully be disputed.

A Dangerous Assumption.

The president is not constitutionally a direct representative of the people, although chosen by the act of electors instructed by the people's vote. When an attempt was made in 1834 to magnify the presidential office Daniel Webster

The Constitution denominates the President simply the President of the United States; it defines his powers and duties and imposes limits and restraints on his authority. . . How is it, then, that on this official character, thus cautionsly created, limited and defined, he is to engraft another and a very imposing character, viz., the character of the direct representative of the American people? I hold this, sir, to be mere assumption and dangerous assumption."

The peace conference delegates, who accepted Mr. Wilson's assumption of the character of direct representative of the American people, in view of events since, will incline to Webster's sound conclusion.

Apropos of the president's foreign policies and attempts to overthrow all restraints on his authority, are the following remarks by the commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in New York:

"Both Washington and Lincoln were wise above all others of their day and gen-eration, and to each, as far as human wisdom can determine, we are indebted for our

national existence today.
"The principles for which they contended are never free from assault.
"They are being assailed in these days with unusual violence."

Increasing Temperature in Ohio.

Harmony in Ohio republican politics is sidetracked until after the national convention. Senator Harding faces a frontal attack from General Wood, who has entered the contest for Ohio's delegation, with James R. Garfield also running in his interest. Meanwhile the Harding men, who named General Keifer as second choice-a mere formality-are reported to have persuaded Hiram Johnson to enter the state as Senator Harding's running mate. Ohio has always been strong for her favorite sons, although the present situation indicates a fiery ordeal for the candidates. But the party will emerge from it as safely as Shadrach, Meshach and Abedengo from Nebuchadnezzar's furnace. I the two states.

The Problem of Fiume

(A Geographer in The Review.) Geographic conditions have made Fiume, situated at the head of a sea which brings cheap water transportation into the very heart of Europe and opposite the narrowest part of the mountain barrier, the inevitable economic outlet for all the northern portion of the Balkan

The power which holds Fiume holds the life of a whole nation at its mercy. But it is not only Jugoslavia which has a vital interest in the fate of Fiume. A whole vast hinterland to the north and east, including Austria and Hungary, and to some extent Czechoslovakia and parts of the newly enlarged Rumania, finds in this port a most im-portant outlet to the sea. And all the outside world which desires to trade with central and southeastern Europe via the Mediterranean route is vitally concerned in the solution of the Fiume dispute. If the frontier between it, I think they are mistaken. Italy and Jugoslavia be drawn as described in the president's famous public statement of last April, the two great Adriatic ports are assigned one to Italy and one to Jugoslavia. The Italian port, Trieste, could then supply the hinter of the proposite with pride to the record this great nation has made in acting the big brother for the nation or people that were down or being struck down, or, being down, were the proposite with pride to the record the pride to the proposite with pride to the record the pride to the record the pride to the pride to the record the pride to the pride to the record the pride to the pride to the record the pride to t terland (Austria, Southern Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary) by a line of rail which does
not have to cross the territory of Jugoslavia;
and the Jugoslav port, Fiume, could supply
that same great hinterland by a line of rail
which does not touch on Italian territory. In
other words, there would be absolute freedom. other words, there would be absolute freedom the right," the world need have no of commerce resulting naturally from a choice times comes for action. But to tie or ports served by a choice of routes, both up her hands in a league so drawn or ports served by a choice of routes, both ports and routes being secure from possible interference or the annoying restrictions of a jealous neighbor. It would be to the interest of each country to improve its port and railway facilities, to establish the most convenient train service, and to charge the lowest tariffs commake it come true. patible with a reasonable profit, in order to at-tract to its port the largest possible volume of this is overdrawn, for it is not. business. Not only Europe, but all of the Article 10; "the very heart of the world would profit enormously from such an league," was drawn for that very equitable distribution of economic advantages. Conversely, not only Europe, but all the world, must suffer enormously if the Adriatic settle- then read the last four lines of ment leaves both these ports in the hands of a Article 13 and the middle clause of single power, or establishes conditions which ultimately result in such one-power control, or gives to a single power the control of 16. both railways leading northward from the two get this instrument changed, after

Population Swings East

Unscientific observers may be inclined to the League of Nations. And the Consix center of population of the United States stitution is the only document under stitution is the only document under at Forty-second street and Broadway on Saturday night or at Broad and Chestnut streets on a parade day or at a trolley entrance door in the rush hour.

But the census experts are not fooled by the superficial. They have the facts, the latest accumulation of which is said to forecast that our population radiates, so to speak, from a point in Indiana.

This does not mean that the state of Charles Warren Fairbanks, Thomas R. Marshall, James Whitcomb Riley and Booth Tarkington is congested with humanity, celebrated or otherwise. The little game which the satisticians play every 10 years is based on a hypothesis that every in dividual in the nation has the same weight and that the center of population is the point about which American continental territory, conceived as a plane, balances perfectly. In 1790 this gravity mark was fixed in Mary-

land, 23 miles east of Baltimore. Progression westward was steady, at the rate of about five miles a year, until a spot near Bloomington, Ind., was attained in 1910. An eastward swing is now said to be discernible for the first time in our records.

Whether this is the result of the war in-dustries on the Atlantic seaboard, or of any tion conditions or to other consequences of the general conflict, is yet to be explained In any event the census bureau has a nov-

elty to exploit and a mild sensation to examine, even if the public does remain comparatively calm.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

War a Necessity There.

Reports from Paris report travelers' prophecies of a 30-year war in the Balkans. Why not? War is a necessity there to make things seem homelike. Elsewhere is it a luxury.-Brooklyn

By Arthur Brooks Baker

REV. CHARLES W. SAVIDGE.

When temples of the ancient times are crashing 'round our heads and mossy tablets of the law are being shot to shreds, what beacon shines before the race to guide our steps aright? What fresh illusion beams abroad and fills the way with light? Where sits the new authority that tells us to be good, to shun the things we

ought to shun and do the things we should? The solemn spiritual lords who sit in awesome state and give the commoners advice of workman ship and weight are less than ever heeded in this brief and hurried world which has so many tires to pump and whiskers to be curled. We cannot seek the skyward road by long and groping search; we ask the way of Savidge in his modern People's church.

We know that we must watch our step and watch it mighty sharp if we expect to wear some wings and play a golden harp; but with this voiceful counselor to warn us with a yell when we diverge to any of the many roads to hell, we wear a look of confidence upon our

shining front and hope to dodge that heated lodge for which so many hunt.

He loves to put the sacred seal, "I make you man and wife," upon the fundamental urge of love and youth and life; for while ecclesiastic work of joining two in one is very often carelessly, impermanently done, society is even more embarrassed and distressed when love is not officiously enregistered and blessed. not officiously enregistered and blessed. Next subject: Harry S. Byrnes.

The Day We Celebrate.

D. Ringer, police commissioner, born,

Charles S. Stebbins, assistant general auditor, Union Pacific (retired), born 1843. F. F. A. Wellman, of Bliss & Wellman, born

William Dean Howells, one of the foremost

of American men of letters, born at Martin's Ferry, Ohio, 83 years ago. Walter W. Warwick, comptroller of the United States treasury, born in Scioto county,

Ohio, 48 years ago.
Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, president of Prince-ton Theological seminary, born at Ligonier, Pa.,

54 years ago.
Annie Sutherland, well known actress of the American stage, born, in Washington, D. C., 53 Dr. Harry H. Crooks, president of Alma college, born at Gilman, Ill., 51 years ago.

Thirty Years Ago In Omaha, A delegation of Nebraska republicans con-sisting of John M. Thurston, John L. Webster and Marshal Brad Slaughter left for Nash-

rille, Tenn., to attend the national convention of Republican league clubs.

M. J. Johannes, one of the pioneer jewelers of this section, died at the age of 57.

The Central Labor union at its meeting discussed the eight-hour system. The union at that time represented 8,000 people. George

Willard was president.

Howell, Jewett & Co of Atchison and Omaha organized a gigantic mill and lumber enterprise on the Sabine river in Louisiana and Texas, having purchased 100,000 acres of land in

York, Neb., Feb. 25. - To the Editor of The Bee: is a good time to revise our epitaph and epithet list, as used in speaking of the senators who we believe are standing out against great odds for he good and the safety of America I do not believe it just or in line of fact to call them the names they have been called, or the way in which their metives have been so often questioned. When men say that if we fail to ratify as now writ-ten the League government will throw the world back a hundred years. I don't believe them, and have my reasons for not believing them, and it is no slap at their mo tives to say that, for, if they do say

Men point with pride to the record

purpose, I surely believe. And if you do not believe it, then read it again, and then read Article 11 of the 3rd or last clause of Article Now read the 26th article and you are in and fast in the stocks Then get out the old Constitution of the United States, defining the duties and powers of congress, and harmonize it with the Covenant of which congress gets its rights and charter of action and they are sworn to uphold and defend it. pass any law or sign away any of its nations or persons.

The fact is congress nor either branch of our government can not of themselves change that document, though they may ignore its provisions, just like every have is set aside by those who find it in the way of their wants. But the governments of Europe are constitutional governments, and while their delegates to such doings can act for their own opinion, our be) by the Constitution to act on accord therewith.

So I am making the prediction that the next generation will mark these much abused men the real statesmen of their day and time. They are not as much abused as of the men of the past, who today loom large on America's big honor roll. And every mile post we make away from their day they only lower the larger above their fellows, while their traducers of their time only shrink in like ratio.

Now we have another picture on the screen. These men that objected to doing something they were strictly forbidden by the Constitution to do, and acting under their oath, must be assailed with names and epithets for not taking what they could not rightly do, and be blamed for "breaking the heart of blamed for "breaking the heart of and write down the names of the blades." the world," while Mr. Wilson is now intimating that if the rest of the league members do somethting he does not like, we will not enter the league, and his grounds are not such as conflict with our law or his duties, but just his opinion to cease calling the other men names. I think it is. FRANKLIN POPE.

Cruel, Cruel World.

When alk the liquor signs have been removed, as the law requires, people will not only be without drinks, but the memory of the drinks they used to get will be obliterated. —Philadelphia Press.

THE PIONEERS.

Pioneers are those who scale the heights Of difficulties mountainous that rose With frowning fronts their progress to oppose.

Through weary, sunless days, and starless nights;

Tet, like great eagles in ethereal flights—
Brave, undeterred by elemental focs—
They met all obstacles with telling blows.

And the start trail through their vic-

Thus was the virgin wilderness be-queathed To cultivation for the needs of man; Vast seas were sounded, charted, pathed and shored;

and thus strange planets yet may be explored!

-Louis W. Grice in the Baltimore American.

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Wild Life of Forest and Field Early Birds. BY ADELIA BELLE BEARD. There are always wideawake boys

but in our northern states this is not apt to happen and there is some doubt about a February robin having just arrived because he may have been here all winter. You never can tell. A few robins do stay with us sunny day though snow may be on

weeks in March. The bluezirds come, too, close in the wake of the robins and are a March snowstorm and wintry cause everything is snow and icebound and they can find nothing to

After the bluebird the bronzed grackle makes his appearance and in the south the purple grackle. The purple grackles are found in some places in the north, too. They are plentiful on Long Island and appear in flocks walking about lawns and parks in a leisurely fashion as though they owned it all.

Look for the song sparrow next. He will come bringing all his happyhearted cheerfulness with him and singing his gay, little song. He is not much to look at, but the song



sparrow fills a big place in bird life because of his sweet song and never-

failing cheerfulness. Then the red-winged blackbird may be found down by the marshes. and a little later the meadowlark will pipe up to tell everyone the glad news that spring is here. The very welcome phoebe and most unwel come cowbird will follow, and afterward the beautiful cedar waxwing, the purple finch, and the sweetvoiced vesper sparrow will appear.
These birds come in March; April brings many more; and by the end

birds as you see them, the dates and the localities, you will find it un-

usually interesting. (Miss Bailey tells how to entertain bird tourists, tomorrow.)

SAID TO BE FUNNY.
Farmer-Would you like to buy a jug of cider?
Flat Dweller-Well-er-is it-er ambitions to work?-Life.

"I suppose they entertained you royal-"The doctor was very particular about knowing what we have to eat."
"Wonder why? Does he expect us to invite him to dinner?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Mrs Knicker-What is collective bar gaining?

Mrs. Bocker—The neighbors offering
your cook a dollar more.—New York Sun.

Henry—He married to get a home.

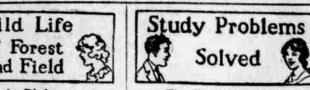
Hetty—Well?
Henry—His wife has so many relatives that he thinks now he's got a hotel—London Ideas.

Willie—Paw, what is a white slave? Paw—A white slave is any salaried man who has a large family, my son.—Cin-cinnati Enquirer.

"Do you have any trouble about office seekers?"

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum; "but it's a different kind, The difficulty now is to find able and willing hands who want to work for the wages the government feels able to pay."—Washington Star.

The Bee's Little Folks' Corner &



The English Sentence. BY HERMAN T. LUKENS.

Skill in writing is like skill in nd girls who see the first robin as handling any other tool. Shakesearly as the last week in February, peare used four times as many words as the ordinary writer o ordinary English, because he used them precisely. Increase the numwords you use accurately. Read carefully exact descriptions and imitate them.

2. Condense. Omit everything through the winter and they will that can be implied or taken for show themselves the first, warm, granted. Bring out the main idea quickly. Leave the smaller things the ground. But they surely begin for the reader to think out for himto come up from the south the first self. He will find it more interest-

3. Break up long, complicated sentences into short, independent sometimes given a cold welcome by ones. You will thus not only gain in clearness, but you will have two It is well to put out food forms of writing available for comfor them, for they often starve be- parison. The most stilted writer is

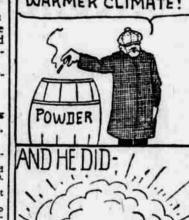


4. For clearness, use short sen-

tences. But for skill in handling English, study the meaning and practice the use of connectives. With them you can combine the simpler ideas into longer and more complicated sentences. It is these connectives, such as relative pronouns and conjujuctions, that must be used skillfully if the long sen-tence is to be clear. They are the sign posts that guide the reader at the turns of the clauses as he makes is way through the sentence. 5. Get flexibility by trying dif-

ferent ways of saying the same thing. Read a good short story, a fine poem, or a vivid description and then try to write it out from memory, or try to write it in your own words in your own way, and compare what you write with the original. This will call your atten-CARTOONETTE.

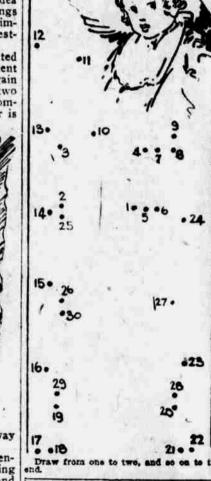
GEE IT'S COLD! I WISH I COULD GO TO A WARMER CLIMATE!



casual reader would never notice. 6. Commit prose and poetry to memory. This forms your mental writing much more deeply than mere reading. No other one thing will produce a greater effect on your English than the imitation of good selections you have learned by

(About kite-flying time. Learn how to build a box kite tomorrow.)

DOT PUZZLE.



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