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The Bee's Platform.

- 1. New Union Passenger Station.
- 2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways, including the pave ment of Main Thoroughfares leading into Omaha with a Brick Surface.
- 3. A short, low-rate Waterway from the Corn Belt to the Atlantic Ocean.
- 4. Home Rule Charter for Omaha, with City Manager form of Government.

A CHEAP CATCH PHRASE.

Just what does Governor Cox mean by his promise to have a "real dirt farmer" as secretary of agriculture, aside from the obvious criticism of President Wilson's appointee to that position?

If the expression "real dirt farmer" means anything it means one who is engaged personally in that occupation rather than theoretically, To own one or more farms is one thing; to be a farmer is quite another. A farmer is one who tills the soil, or conducts or manages a farm. A "real dirt" farmer means, if it means anything, one who personally tills the soil; that is, one who plows, plants, hoes, digs, and performs actual routine farm labor such as cultivating and harvesting crops

We doubt much any desire by real farmers for that sort of secretary of agriculture. We believe they much prefer a man who possesses expert knowledge of cultivation, of seeding, of farm conservation, of stock, small fruits, orchards and farm equipment; and especially a man familiar with the wise marketing of all farm products at the proper time, and of the technical and practical things which insure profits from the cultivation of the soil and the production of poultry, dairy products and live

To be of any practical use in the agricultural field a secretary having its interests in charge must know the farm needs of the whole United States. No "real dirt" farmer could possibly have that equipment, which may be acquired only by a highly specialized training and practical farm experience in widely separated parts of the country, along with continuous intensive study of soils, seeds and markets. He is necessarily a big man who can qualify to fill the office in question. Governor Cox's expression is entirely political, not agricultural, and therefore may be dismissed as campaign bunk.

Home Made West Virginia Plug.

Over in West Virginia, where the tobacco chewer "raises his own," the farmer has also long made his own "plug." Twenty years ago. when we first heard how he did it, trees were a pest to the West Virginia farmer. The work while the rest was mostly hillsides. But that's another story. When the farmer's tobacco was cured,

cleaned and stemmed, he cut it into squares about an inch across and sprinkled sugar, peach brandy and spice over it. Then he went out with an inch and a half augur, selected a hickory tree about eighteen inches in diameter (West Virginia was the land of hickory hooppoles before steel hoops came into vogue) and bored several holes ten inches deep in it. Into these holes the prepared tobacco was tamped tight to within an inch of the bark, after which close fitting plugs were driven with a sledge hammer until the tobacco was compressed to the limit. There it was allowed to remain from four to six months, when the tree was cut down and the cylinders of "eating tobacco" carefully removed and wrapped in heavy cloths saturated with licorice syrup. In two weeks this wrapping was removed and "sweet hickory plug" was

to think of the delectable flavor of that delicious product, which some traveler in West Virginia first heard of the other day and wrote up as a new discovery.

A Wayward Prince.

The suicide of Prince Joachim, youngest son of the former kaiser, and perhaps the wildest of an unfortunate family group born to the purple. led a hectic life stained with sensuality and sensation. Divorced by his wife, this prince of the house of Hohenzollern was true to form in extravagance, vanity, irresponsibility. When royalty tumbled to ruin in Potsdam he tumbled with, squandered what resources he

had left and finally died by his own hand. No young American, born intelligent and with clean blood in his veins, has cause to envy any scion of royalty abroad. Indeed, all other men should be thankful that the tainted blood of the Hohenzollerns does not run in their veins.

A Cool Summer.

We have official authority that this is a cool summer for Omaha, although the temperature for the year to date shows a daily average excess of one degree. To this is added the comforting fact that our rainfall is six inches under normal, which gives a reasonable expectation of rains to further alleviate the temperatures during the remaining forty days of the celendar

And with it all Omaha has reason to be thankful for the low humidity which makes high temperatures so much more tolerable.

On the Wane.

The waning of the democratic national campaign began on Sunday, July 18, when it became known that the candidate nominated to head the democratic party gently away from voices in the air and visions on the horizon, had been taken up into an exceeding high place and shown the glory of internationalism. And thereupon he fell down and worshipped supergovernment, and began to serve it instead of

his own nation. And that morning and the evening thereof were the beginning of the end of Cox,

HARDING'S MESSAGE TO THE PEOPLE. In accepting the nomination of the republican party as its candidate for the presidency of the United States, Warren G. Harding has completely vindicated the judgment of the dele-

gates to the Chicago convention, if such vindication were needed. He makes plain that the big outstanding issue is to be opposition to Wilsonism in all its forms, a return to constitutional instead of one-man government, and the maintenance of the independence and dignity of the republic, with the safety of all its citizens. It is no fine array of rhetorical elegancies, no impassioned flight of fulminating oratory, no alluring array of specious promises or glittering generalities that Senator Harding presents. Rather, it is the carefully considered, patiently worded pledge of a man who realizes and appreciates the responsibility that is to be his when elected. In simple words and phrases whose sincerity carries conviction, he has outlined the issues and set forth his conception of the duties, the privileges and the opportunities of the high office of chief magistrate of the greatest republic in the world's

Greatest of emphasis is laid on the need of restoring as rapidly and completely as possible the functions of the Constitution of the United States and the government thereunder established. This is what is contained in his reference to the house of representatives and the senate. It does not mean that the executive is to be dominated by congress, but that he is to regard with due respect the provisions of the Constitution, and to exact a similar

regard from other branches of the government. The delayed peace is discussed calmly and dispassionately, with an utter absence of highfalutin rhodomontade. No mention is made of the world's broken or bleeding heart, but a very frank statement of purpose to restore peace without delay on such basis as will maintain the independence of the United States and the control of its domestic affairs, including the right of declaring war, in the hands of the people and their representatives. The meaning of these words cannot be misconstrued:

We do not mean to hold aloof. We do not mean to shun a single responsibility of this republic to world civilization. There is no hate in the American heart. We have no envy, no suspicion, no aversion for any people in the world. We believe the unspeakable sorrows, the immeasurable sacrifices, the awakened convictions and the aspiring conscience of human kind must commit the nations of the world to a new and better relationship. It need not be discussed now what motives plunged the world into war; it need not be inquired whether we asked the sons of this republic to defend our national rights, as I believe we did, or to purge the old world of the accumulated ills of rivalry and greed; the sacrifices will be vain if we cannot acclaim a new order, with added security to civilization and peace

What sort of administration he proposes may be judged from the definite program he

I believe the budget system will effect a necessary, helpful reformation, and reveal

business methods to government business,
I believe federal departments should be made more business-like and send back to productive effort thousands of federal employes, who are either duplicating work or not essential at all.

I believe in the protective tariff policy and know we will be calling for its saving Americanism again.

ness men can rely. Senator Harding is equally specific in his promise to labor. Recognizing of clearing his land was laborious indeed. A | the doctrine of collective bargaining, the right man who acquired twenty or thirty acres of of workers to organize unions and to strike, ground usually had a forest on half his acreage, he also upholds the public's right to continuous service of governmental agencies and the necessity of applying the rule to such industries as the railroads, whose function is for the public rather than private benefit. The equality of all workers under the law is also to be maintained, and no advantage given to groups of any kind.

In these pledges, supported well by logic and reason, is contained a policy that will restore health to American industry and commerce, simply because it restores the healthy, uncontrolled competition which is essentially necessary to real growth and susbstantial development. Governmental interference with private undertakings that do not menace the well-being of the people or transcend the law is not to be

Careful perusal of the speech of acceptance recommended, as it will be of service in understanding much that is certain to be said and written as the campaign progresses. Senator Harding has neither evaded nor avoided It starts the saliva of a tobacco chewer even | any of the issues, but has frankly declared his position on all. His language is simple and direct, devoid of flourish or elaborate ornamentation, his reasoning is cogent and logical and his conclusions plain and easily understood. The speech will not be preserved for any catch phrase it contains, but because of its sound Americanism. Patriotic citizens can well form behind a man who speaks the language of the plain people, and whose appeal is to their patriotism, their common sense and their duty to God, their country and themselves.

Too Much Doherty.

Mr. Henry L. Doherty, head of big financial interests centering in Wall Street, and a man of unusual capacity for large financial affairs, has organized his employes into a "fraternity" y-clept the "Doherty Men's Fraternity." Conspicuous among its benign purposes is that of the "perpetuation of the business policy and philosophy of Henry L. Doherty." Once a year, on the birth anniversary of H. L. D. there is a celebration by all the branches of the Doherty organization of the first generation of "Doherty men," who plant trees in honor of Doherty under which future generations of

Doherty men may "pay reverent tribute to him." The foregoing quotations are from an elaborately printed magazine of a hundred pages adorned by two portraits of Mr. Doherty and largely devoted to his glorification. It is a new departure in commercial celebration of the virtues of a living man, and as such an offense to good taste.

The employes of Mr. Doherty may plant trees in honor of his achievements and make speeches flattering the gentleman's philosophy, whatever it may be, but we utterly refuse to assume an attitude of reverence toward him until bankers' shares get well up in the 40's.

Sir Thomas says he is glad that Resolute won on Wednesday, but he may not be so elated when the sun goes down this evening.

No sign of wavering is what Senator Hard-

Cox won't find it out for two weeks.

The Electoral College

Thomas F. Healey in the Philadelphia Ledger. The selection of presidential electors in Pennsylvania and the eagerness of the respective party managers in seeking the services of men of wide prominence despite the relatively minor roles which they ultimately play in the

great national contest directs attention to a reement of the constitution, of which the general voting public has little knowledge, either its origin or its purposes. That is the "double-election" system of choosing a president of the United States. It

is a system which ever since the day of Jefferson has been observed in form only and is so little reckoned with by the average voter that the men of prominence who comprise the prepared for the table and served electoral college scarcely receive the slightest as foods are on the ordinary home consideration from the voter when he casts his table. They have devised several ballot for the presidential candidate of his methods which help them greatly in ballot for the presidential candidate of his

Nevertheless the party managers make a careful search for men whose names will add dignity and weight to the ticket, men of wide reputation not only in the commonwealth but in the nation at large. Some of these men have served repeatedly, notwithstanding that from the day of their selection until they cast In addition, they emptoy the usual their ballots they received only scant attention methods of lighting up the stomach either from the press or the voters.

Perhaps no other section of the constitution was regarded with more complacency by the men who proposed it than this method of choos- in the American Journal of Physioing a chief magistrate, and yet they were soon to see it become only a nominal factor in the choice of a president. There was no dispute about the first two elections because everybody effect of thought and emotion on diwas for Washington, but almost immediately gestion. Their results are entirely in thereafter contests were conducted on straight party lines and have continued to be so con- Pawlow, since confirmed by several The result has been that electors are pledged to party action, subordinating their independence to the will of a majority of their The records of Pennsylvania, for in- senses is digested with difficulty. stance, contain no case of electors ever having failed to cast their vote for a man other than down to a beautifully set table and the party nominee. There is not to be found eats food which smells good any instance in the history of the country when tastes good his digestive organs start a sufficient number of votes were cast in the out with their best foot forward sufficient number of votes were cast in the electoral college to upset the will of the people as expressed by popular vote at the polls. the 1796 election scattering votes were cast, but Adams and Jefferson were the only prominent On the other hand, if a man sits candidates before the country, and they re-Adams and Jefferson were the only prominent ceived the majority of the electoral votes of stomach balks unless he has trained

mere cog in the election machinery and are the study of coffee, tea, and cocoa a particular candidate that they assume so little difficult to digest. Drinking coffee prominence in the presidential election. Except, did not lessen the secretion of gas as was said, that men of high qualification and tric juice. The effect of coffee on attainments add prominence and dignity to the the production of acid by the stom party ticket, their qualifications amount to little ach was not very different from that

n the contest. effect upon the election. In effect, it makes the choice of a president an election by states was somewhat delayed, but not much. Peptic digestion, another important work of the stomach, also a consequence unforeseen by its original pro-ponents. The system of choosing electors by not much. The time required for "general ticket" means that the entire elec- the stomach to finish its work and toral vote of that state will be thrown into the empty its contents was not materialscale of one candidate. Should the republican ly lengthened. list be carried in Pennsylvania, it will be carvote of this state will be secured for Mr. Harding and the thousands of votes given Mr. Cox, the democratic nominee, will be utterly lost, comes to the constitutional effects for they cannot under the electoral system go the indictment was more severe. to swell the total received by Mr. Cox in a Coffee stimulated the pulse. In one safely democratic state. Thus it comes about that we speak of "minority presidents," executives who received a minority of the popular vote in the nation, but a majority of the elec-

toral votes of the states.

Mr. Hamilton and his colleagues in the constitutional convention looked forward with a restricted manner. The men experigreat deal of fear to unwise selections if the mented on were not coffee flends. In business of choosing a president were placed in the hands of the people at large. Respecting customed to drinking coffee at all. the presidency they entertained the same idea as that which influenced them to write into
the constitution a provision that the senate alluded to were one in the London the constitution a provision that the senate should be elected by the selected representatives Lancet in 1911 and one by Benzoldt Lancet in 1911 and one by Benzoldt of the people in the state legislatures. Looking back upon these things in the light of modern thought it is apparent that Hamilton's fears were inspired by his distrust of popular judgment, and that the systems be proposed and had written into the constitution were essentially undemocratic features of a document which was propounded as the bulwark of democracy. The disposition which the nation has made of both provisions justified such a con-

In having the people choose electors who in turn would elect the president Mr. Hamilton sought to oppose "cabal, intrigue and corruption." He even saw the possibility of foreign 1. Rapid pulse, palpitation. intrigue in the selection of our presidents by powers anxious to gain improper ascendancy in the councils of this nation. For the purpose of avoiding such contingencies it was provided that no public servant of the government could fill the post of elector, but that men freee of all entangling alliances and only those not in situation that might be construed as one of influence with the president while in office should be chosen.

What men of the Hamilton group did not foresee was the rapid growth of parties and the consequent disappearance of independent choice upon the part of the electors. Such freedom and discretion vanished as early as the fourth election, for it was felt that the time cided, not by a picked group, but by the nation. This idea has progressed, until today the electors are not only selected by the active party managers, but are approved by the respective candidates themselves for the purpose undoubtedly. undoubtedly, of preventing the slightest possibility of any but party action.

The Eskimo Heaven

The Old Angakok, Masaitsiak, said: You Kablunait (white men) believe that the great good Spirit is a male being, we Innult believe that the great good Spirit is a female. Her abode is down in the bowels of the earth where it is nice and warm, and to her the souls of all good people go after death. "Those of us who in this present life are not

as good as we ought to be, must in the next life be satisfied with the upper regions. But it is very cold up there," and he pointed toward the sky, "and none of us wish to go there." When told that white people believed that

the upper regions is the place of reward, and that the warm place down below is only for bad people, he shook his head. Even white people may sometimes be mis-

he said, "and any sensible Eskimo would think that he got quite enough of cold weather in this life and that the good Spirit could not possibly give him any better reward for good conduct than a warmer existence in the next."—World Outlook.

Harding is Human

Governor Harding is from President McKinley's state. He posseses many of the characteristics of that much beloved martyr. During his occupancy of the White House we shall have, not an autocratic, one-man-power administration, keeping itself so far aloof from the people as to be out of touch with popular sentiment, and defiant of it, but responsibe, co-operative, accessible and capable of recognizing the merits of views not altogether in harmony with his

What is promised, therefore, in the persons of the candidates for both the presidency and the vice presidency is a dignified, efficient, responsive administration, conducted along those lines which in the past have given assurance to the people of tranquility, prosperity, the maintenance of law and order, and the conditions essential for the betterment of society, the proper adjustment of social problems, industrial relations and international affairs. - Minneapolis Tribune.

It's Ohio's Turn.

We can't see all the use of being so jealous of Ohio-we haven't had a single president since ald Bill Taft.-Wilmington News-Journal.

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STOMACH APPRECIATES ART. At Jefferson Medical college, Miller, Bergeim, Rehfuss and Hawk continue their investigations of digestion, making use of healthy young their work.

For instance, they have a ther mometer which, having been swal a person eats ice cream, or hot out-They have a stomach pump that takes away a man's breakfast as expeditiously as he stows it away. chemically and otherwise

The two latest reports appearing logy are of a series which have questions about foods. One of these two is given over to a study of the accord with those of the Russian.

The odor and appearance of good food is a help in digestion. On the other hand, food which repels the For instance, when a man sits Reading a newspaper with the meal does not retard digestion. conversation and agreeable companions help fill in the picture.

himself to like Chinese eggs, lim It is because the electors have become a burger cheese, and other high foods. Just now we will be interested in the contest.

But the system itself has a very decided water. The production of acidity was somewhat delayed, but not

> The conclusion is that coffee and tea, as well, are somewhat hard to direction is not deserved. ors, headache, dizziness and sleep

> The conclusion is that coffee and tea are in no wise to be considered as beverages to be used in an un The dose given was large. It was

in the German Archive for Clinical Medicine for 1893.

Hearing Own Heart.

S. M. R. writes: "1. What is the "2. If the heart beats hard or palpitates rapidly, is that a sign of weak heart or just nerves? "3. What causes the heart to miss beats?

"4. Is a person supposed to hear

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one of several other causes.

3. Those enumerated above are the more important causes.

X-Ray Treatment Best. J. B. writes: "What is the cure for ringworm of the scalp?"

REPLY. X-ray treatment is much more

About Tapeworms. B. V. W. writes: "Please describe ymptoms of tapeworm and a reliable remedy. Is there any danger in taking vermifuge

REPLY. About the only sign of tapeworm that is dependable is the presence of the segments in the stools. fern is the best remedy. preparation for treatment is most important. There is some danger.

MUCH IN LITTLE.

Smolen island, near Kristianssund, Norway, is a flat spot of land pos-sessed of immense areas of peat bog. It is doubtful whether there is anywhere a better location for the

part in the education of boys and

attimpt to prevent the spread of this A. Dix at the outbreak of the civil pest.

War: "If any man attempts to pull

Omaha, July 19 -To the Editor him on the spot. of The Bee: Under the title of "The

passes the faded coat of blue . Lake the men who in their prime were them, they have mouldered therefore becoming "invisible" at the back to Mother Earth-not forgot shortest distance. ten, but gone. In place of the faded a long period and under many difcoat of blue has come the clive drab, a garment the world's great heroes fact. It was from no consideration wore on native and foreign soil while of sentiment, but as a practical step

defending America's honor." I have never been able to quite the uniform was changed. satisfy myself as to what motive prompted "the powers that be" to khaki in some respects. discard the national color which will ever remain sacred to the memmake room for this nonattractive olive drab production. There can milk to make yellow butter? never be a grander display of genuine patriotism than was exhibited

supremacy on the sanguinary fields fishman what he called his horse, of Antietam, Gettysburg and Chicka-and the fishman answered: "Tony mauga. Can there be any reason-Chestnut." Instantly she pointed to able doubt that every mother's son her foot, her knee, her breast and of those immortal heroes would her head, saying: "Toe, knee, chest, have a thousand times preferred to cling to the uniform which his fath Dancing plays a very important or had aided in rendering eternally girls in Japan. In the better class the time of entrance into the late families the dancing teacher comes war? Nor is there less doubt that other day, regular practice is the overwhelming preponderance of an affair of routine, and private sentiment among the loyal people of

entertainments where the children this country would have been found perform are arranged by friendly decidedly antagonistic to the wretchamilies.

The Mediterranean fly (karatitit the blue and the gray, had inquiry capitata) has for several years been made. I frankly confess the caused considerable damage in fact that it has sometimes been dif tircece to the fruit and vegetable ficult for me to keep down the suscrops. Oranges, apples, pears, picion that the spirit which prompt peaches, apricots, plums and toma-ed the substitution of the khaki for toes have been especially affected, the blue was a radically different one No remedy has yet been discovered from that which inspired the ever but there seems to have been little memorable utterance of Gen. John

Faded Coat of Blue," the World-fact, the khaki was adopted as the fletald, in its issue of the 18th re-field uniform of the United States marks editorially: "With the pass- army when we went to war with ing of the civil war veterans also Spain in 1898. It was chosen after considerable experimentation be-cause it served the military object ferent conditions established this in military science that the color of "O. D." is an improvement on the

Natural Science.

Why does a black cow give white quiry in Question Answer department, New York Sun. same reason that blackby "the boys who were the blue" in support of national solidarity and berries are red when they're green. -Syracuse Post Standard.



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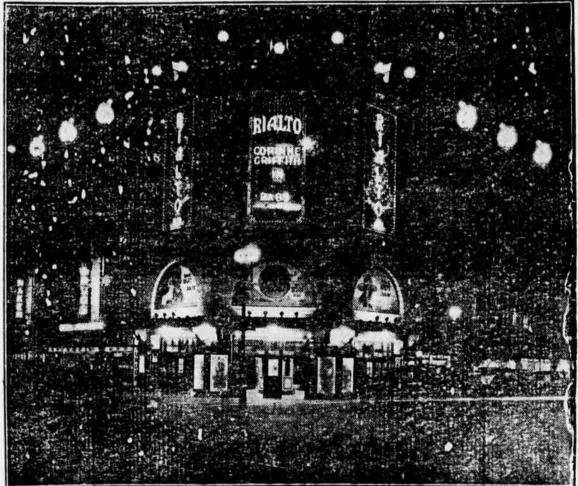
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