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## The Bee's Platform

1. New Union Passenger Station.
2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways, including the pavement 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.

### WHO SCRAPPED THE LEAGUE?

At Des Moines and in Omaha, Senator Harding definitely stated that the League of Nations had been scrapped by President Wilson. This has been challenged by the supporters of the president, who apparently have forgotten the history of the covenant. It may refresh their memories to give them a few excerpts from the record. Conceding that Secretary Baker is correct in his statements attributing the genesis of the league idea to the League to Enforce Peace, and admitting that the subject had drawn forth considerable discussion for months before the signing of the armistice, it yet remains true that the covenant, as presented to the senate, had not taken on its form until after the president had made his second visit to Paris.

When Mr. Wilson came back from the Paris conference in February, 1919, he brought with him a draft convention, containing the outline of the League of Nations covenant. This he submitted to a conference of members of the foreign affairs committees of the house and senate. It was then discussed and criticized, and some modifications suggested. But it is well to keep in mind the fact that the president knew the complexion of congress had been changed by the election of 1918, and the committees with whom he advised would not be the same after March 4, 1919. However, he accepted their approval as warrant to go ahead.

On March 4, the day the Sixty-fifth congress expired by limitation, 37 senators subscribed to a resolution, which was inserted in the Record, setting forth:

That it is the sense of the senate that, while it is their desire that the nations of the world should unite to promote peace and general disarmament, the constitution of the League of Nations in the form now proposed to the peace conference should not now be accepted by the United States.

That it is the sense of the senate that the negotiations on the part of the United States should immediately be directed to the utmost expedition of the urgent business of negotiating peace terms with Germany satisfactory to the United States and the nations with whom the United States is associated in the war against the German government, and that the proposal for a League of Nations to insure the permanent peace of the world should then be taken up for careful and serious consideration.

This was ample notice to the president that the senate was disinclined to ratify a treaty containing the covenant provision. He disregarded the warning, seemingly satisfied he could force through the senate acceptance of his plan. His answer to the 37 senators, who asked that the covenant be separated from the treaty, was given at the Metropolitan opera house in New York on the evening of March 4, 1919, as he was about to take ship for Paris to conclude the negotiations. He said:

When that treaty comes back gentlemen on this side will find the covenant not only in it, but so many threads of the treaty tied to the covenant that you cannot dissect the covenant from the treaty without destroying the whole vital structure.

It is clear from the record that Mr. Wilson acted with deliberation in the matter. He tied the treaty and the covenant together, and insisted on having all or nothing. He knew that the treaty without reservations would not be ratified; he instructed his supporters to vote against ratification with reservations. They carried out his orders, and the treaty was twice sent down to defeat by democratic votes, cast under instructions from the White House.

It was scrapped because Woodrow Wilson could not have his own way, regardless of consequences.

### Navy Triumphs Over Fog.

An important contribution to the science of navigation was made last week, when the destroyer Semmes was easily navigated through the Ambrose channel leading into New York harbor under fog conditions. One of the vexations of entrance to the great American port has been the delay occasioned by fog. Many a good ship has come to grief through attempting to negotiate the passage when all aids to navigation are obscured. Delay has been an expensive affliction to the shipping industry, but it is now fairly overcome. A cable has been stretched over a distance of 16 miles, covering the dangerous course, and from it the passing ship picks up signals that enable it to proceed as safely as if sailing in broad daylight. The successful tryout of the device marks another step in the elimination of natural hazards supported by "those that go down to the sea in ships." It removes a menace from the path of the sailor, and will greatly facilitate the progress of trade, for it is hardly likely that other harbors will neglect to provide the simple and effective means thus made available. With harbor fog conquered, the mariner may return to his other task of overcoming fog at sea, and presently it will come to pass that ships will be far safer to ride in than automobiles on a city street.

### A Less Tight Little Isle.

Constitution sits in the British House of Lords, or at least among what is known slangily as the "bees." The cloud of prohibition that hangs over the tight little island has no silver lining for those who owe their wealth to brewery or distillery stock. The question of prohibition rests largely in the hands of the people themselves, through local option elections. The bitterness of the contest, and the fear of certain

elements of being deprived of their nip is indicated by the attack on the American dry leader, "Pussyfoot" Johnson, by a mob at Reading. Reports from the northern end of the British island tell of impending local option elections in almost every center. Edinburgh, as well as Glasgow, will vote on the question of "no license" before the first of the year. More than 300 of the 1,200 local areas in Scotland are already dry, and many more are expected in the November municipal elections.

Wet orators in Scotland are pointing to the United States as a horrible example of the results of shutting off traffic in alcohol. The high cost of living, the sugar shortage and labor troubles are all blamed on the lack of a wee drop. The attempt to take advantage of the remoteness of America and paint a distressing picture of our condition under the dry amendment is evidence of the weak case of the wets in Great Britain.

### "Truth in Fabric" Legislation.

A campaign begun long ago, having for its purpose the protection of the buying public against fraud and deception by unscrupulous manufacturers, is now being extended to include woolen products in its scope. What is known as a "truth in fabric" bill is before congress, introduced in the house by Representative French of Idaho and in the senate by Senator Capper of Kansas. Its object is to require that goods made of wool be plainly branded to show whether they consist of pure or virgin wool, of "shoddy" or worked over wool, or of a mixture. This measure has the support of the wool and sheep growers of America, who are making a vigorous campaign in its support.

One feature of our national life that is not all creditable is that we have been compelled to enact stringent legislation, and to maintain extensive and expensive organizations to prevent fraud in foodstuffs, and now we are about to be required to extend this to wearing apparel. The purpose of the law is good. Just as a buyer of spices is entitled to know if the article consists of pure spice, or is a mixture of inferior and often deleterious substances, slightly flavored with the genuine, so when one buys a woolen fabric it ought to be made plain that it is getting virgin wool. If he wants to purchase shoddy under its own name, the bargain is his, and he ought to have the privilege. Deliberate deception, however, should be punishable.

Many years ago the dairymen succeeded in getting oleomargarine on a basis where it could not masquerade as butter. But the trade in oleo has prospered, and millions buy it today under its true name. So it may be with wool. At any rate, it is unfair to everybody to have shoddy sold as anything but shoddy. Pure wool is entitled to the protection asked.

### LeRoy S. Estelle.

The death of LeRoy S. Estelle will bring profound sorrow in a community where he spent the larger part of his long and useful life. He will be missed from the bench, where he served with such distinguished ability; his brethren of the bar will mourn him as a kindly, genial companion, whose nature was to be helpful and of service to all, and those who met him as a friend will realize how much that really meant. Above all other considerations, Judge Estelle will be missed because of the high quality of citizenship he exemplified. His loyalty to American institutions was proven by his service as a boy in the Union ranks, and his deep devotion to the country he then helped to defend never wavered. As a pioneer he endured the hardships and vicissitudes of life on the frontier, but he aided in bringing a splendid state and city out of the wilderness. Through it all he was supported by a sturdy belief in the doctrine of liberty and justice secured under the laws of the land, was a courageous upholder of the cause of right, energetic in the assertion of those principles on which free government rests, and guided by a conscientious regard for them in all his ways. His long years on the bench were the result of public confidence in his probity, and his record there will be his monument.

### Learn the Game.

Are you learning to play the game of life or are you sitting in the bleachers? It is possible to look on without seeing, listen without hearing, work without understanding. All of us are on the side lines, in a sense. For while we may learn our own job to perfection, yet lacking that healthy sense of curiosity, we may remain ignorant of the work done by the man at the next desk, the next bench, our superior's problems, or the requirements of the position just above the one we hold.

A story is told of two chess players who had met every day for twenty years in an old-fashioned chop house, silently played their game, and departed. All this time a third man sat beside them, watching their contest of wits. A day came after all the years when one of the players failed to appear. Seeing the idler there as usual, the player, asked him to take the partner's place.

"Sorry, but I don't know the game," was the answer.

For twenty years he had been idly looking at the game, not into it. If it had been in a factory or office, that the opportunity came to this onlooker for advancement, he was the type that would have had to reply, "Sorry, but I don't know the game."

Henry Morgenthau says that unless the United States joins the League of Nations it will mean war with Mexico inside of a year. Mexico hasn't been admitted into the league, and would seem to have more to fear from it than from its neighbor.

Some of us can recall that the Boston high-brow group also opposed our retention of the Philippines in 1899. They have swung to the other pole in the meantime.

F. D. Roosevelt says it is either join the league or prepare for war. Pity he could not have shown some of this foresight in 1916.

The drive for safer streets is on, its success depending on your own personal contribution. Help others by being careful yourself.

When a traffic "cop" asks you to stop it is no time to discuss fine points of law.

Colonel House has "matched" the president. They are waiting on Mr. Bryan now.

Blazing cotton gins are not an indication of returning reason.

"Billy" Sunday a big leaguer? You know it.

## A Line O' Type or Two

How to the Line, let the quips fall where they may.

**AULD LANG SYNE.**  
In Scotia yince men didna think it was a crime to take a drink: They werea selfish, soor they said. And thought that whisky waana had. They gathered every noo and then Wi' cronies who were rannin men. And ower a glass or twa they sang 'Till the ancient ruffians rang. But noo the uncog guid will fight To tak awa' a Scotchman's right To doocely meet and rand a glass In honor o' some bonnie lass. If they succeed then hearts will bleed In many hauses ayont the Tweed. Where dithers o' auld lang syne For cantie days o' auld lang syne.

**WHETHER** Mr. Wilson offered or did not offer the United States army and navy to Roumania and Serbia may be of academic importance; but it is nothing to worry about. By the time the army and navy were ready to move the troubles of Roumania and Serbia would be over.

**WHAT? "PERSONALLY?"**  
(Oliver Madox Hueffer, Corr. from Mexico.)  
From my conversation with members of the present administration I am personally convinced, etc.

**GADDER** H. S. E. offers an explanation of the paradoxical sinking of the Cork mayor: he has an iron constitution.

**ANYBODY SEEN THIS BIRD?**  
(From the Mount Sterling Democrat-Message.)  
Lost, strayed or stolen, one large yellow rooster; young in years but old in experience. Reward for return to Mrs. Mary E. Drew.

**CONDITIONS** in Petrograd, as reported by the Finnish Red Cross, indicate that bolshevism is, if anything, a shade worse than the bubonic plague.

**You Win, Probably.**  
Sir: I bet 5 to 7 that when the votes are counted the Socialist candidate will be in. Do I win or lose?  
G. W. L.

**WHEN** we have called "personally" (although, frankly, we have small hope of getting it), we are requested by J. T. B. to "pickle" in conference. "When I call upon some 2x4 official," he relates, "the stenog shifts her gum and tells me he is in conference." And his pious hope, which we share, is that when these two-fours call on St. Peter, the busy inside guard will report that he is in conference with the Angel Gabriel.

### SMALL TOWN STUFF.

(From the Wolsey, S. D. Herald.)  
Notice to whom it may concern: If Mrs. E. E. Lehman will be kind enough to cease talking about me and telling things that are untrue she will save herself a great deal of trouble and worry, as I am sure it would be very hard for her to prove the things she is telling, and as for me locking my door when I see any one coming to my house that also is an untruth, and will say if she will only attend to her own business she won't have time to help others with theirs.  
Mrs. Thomas M. Family.

### A MAC-EDONIAN WAIL.

As one of your most faithful old contribs, I'd like to ask (you will not think me rude?) if it is not a fact your royal alba, That you possess some sense of gratitude. Each day you practice your seductive art. Is it not true (you are not bored, I trust) You feel a nice warm glow around your heart To'd those who fain would make the Line or bust?

If you're the grateful cuss I think you are, If you hold kindly memories of me, You'll sit right down, light up a fresh cigar, And then proceed to grant my earnest plea.

When you receive (as oft you must) a wheeze That falls to fit the columnar design, Just tell the bird who sends it—will you, please?— I'm not so damned particular in mine.

### MAC.

**ACCORDING** to Comrade Morley, Bob Holliday claims that in San Francisco one can wear a shirt and collar longer without being lauded than anywhere else in the United States. Mr. Holliday is in error. In East Gloucester, Mass., a shirt and collar will survive a week longer than in San Francisco.

### THE POOR LITTLE CHAP WAS BURIED

**WEDNESDAY.**  
Sir: Could you give me the name of the misguided Boy Scout who gave my janitor a "save your coat" tag?  
FLAT DWELLER.

### The Second Post.

(Received by a mail order house.)  
Dear Gentlemen: I will kindly let you know about my fountain pen. How she got the damage. I took her of my pocket and tried to unscrew the cap from the pen. But it didn't come no way. So I put her in warm water for five minutes and tried again. But didn't move yet. So I tried with a piece of cloth around it, and she opened. And I wrote a little yet and then she broke apart. But then that didn't bother very much. But then just as I had a good start she foolish thing broke apart to pieces. "So I thought I would send her to you and have her repaired. Please repair her as quick as you can."  
"We have also augmented our selling force by such men as Mr. Marshall, Mr. Luth, Mr. Samuels and Mr. Watt."—A. Starr Best (Inc.)  
Boy, our earmuffs!

### Red Oak, Ia., Express.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McFarland on route 2. "THERE" will be a dance at the pavilion 8 miles south of Sundance on Aug. 38."—Crook County Monitor.

That is one of the days we should pick out for tripping the l. f. l.

### PULL UP A CHAIR, WATSON.

(From the Evanston News-Index.)  
Wanted to buy—Twin beds and high chair. Tel. 4018.

### My Dear, You Should See Them!

(A Pittsburg, Kan., letterhead.)  
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MANY readers have gratified our curiosity about "the funniest thing ever printed in this column;" and, as we expected, no two thus far agree. Pray continue.

### WE COULD NOT POSSIBLY GUESS.

Sir: Why is it that when one wires to a hotel for a four or five dollar reservation one always gets the five-dollar room?  
W. S. L.

### CAMPAIGN forecast: Slowly rising temperature.

B. L. T.

### Unusual Reward.

Prof. Goddard is to shoot his rocket on its trial flight to the moon shortly. A perfect hit entitles him, of course, to the usual prize, one cigar or a chance on the kewpie doll.—New York Globe.

### MY OWN.

Oh, I must answer to a name  
And live upon a certain street,  
And stairs within a dingy house  
Must bear the burden of my feet.

Still, when the night is dim and sweet,  
In dreams I roam the silent hills;  
Where aisles of shadowy vases wait,  
Are petaled soft with daffodils.

I foot it through the silver dark,  
I shout aloud to field and tree;  
And all this gypsy heart of me  
Is longing, longing to be free.

Oh, I must answer to a name  
And live upon a certain street;  
But who shall take my dreams from me—  
Or keep my life from being sweet?  
—(Contemporary Verse).

## How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.  
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### RURAL SCHOOL CONDITIONS

From La Crosse county, Wisconsin, there comes a story which upsets many of the ordinarily accepted notions about contagion among children. During the session of 1919-'20 the superintendent of schools decided that he would find out how many of the children in the rural schools had had various forms of contagion. What he was interested in was in getting information that would be of help in preventing epidemics in his rural schools.

The rule is that when one of two cases of contagion appear in a country school the school is dismissed for a month or a session and the pupils miss the things on the schedule for the next month or two.

This superintendent was planning to prevent that. He had each teacher find out from each school child and the parents just what forms of contagion the child had had and therefore to what the child was immune.

Most mothers think all children have measles. Not so. Only 52 per cent of these children have had the measles. At least one-quarter of that group never will have measles.

The next most prevalent disease had been whooping cough. Forty per cent of the children had had whooping cough. Should a case of whooping cough come into a rural school district in La Crosse county, the school teachers and parents need keep an eye on only a little more than half the school children.

Whoops of chickenpox is a widely prevalent disease? Thirty-nine and two-tenths per cent of those children had had chickenpox. The bumps was fourth with 51.2 per cent.

We have an idea that children do not have smallpox and that when we see a pockmarked person he or she is foreign-born, ignorant and illiterate. One hundred and thirty-six of the children in the rural schools of La Crosse county, Wisconsin, had had smallpox. But then why be surprised? Only 255 of the entire 2,452 had ever been vaccinated.

The whole school population could have been vaccinated for less than the cost of one case of smallpox, and there had been 136 cases.

We do not think of typhoid fever as a disease of children and yet 24 of these children had had typhoid fever. Typhoid fever has become a disease of the smaller cities and rural districts. There is good chance that not more than 24 of the 500,000 school children in Chicago have had typhoid. It is reasonably certain that no one could find 134 children who had had smallpox in Chicago.

Fifty-five children had had diphtheria, 12 had had infantile paralysis, 124 had had scarlet fever, 11 had had tuberculosis, five had had acute meningitis, and over 1,000 had recovered from influenza.

### Better Be Examined.

Hopeful writes: "I had typhoid fever nearly a year ago and still feel the effects of it. I feel tired. Could the fever be a cause of this condition, and what can I do to build myself up? I have taken a tonic for some time, but it does not seem to help me."

### REPLY.

Have an examination. Bright's disease, heart disease, and some other organic diseases are likely to follow as an aftermath of typhoid.

### Better See Physician.

D. P. S. writes: "For about a week I have had on my face a circle about

### ODD AND INTERESTING.

An electrical novelty is a toaster and food-warmer that will toast sides of 20 pieces of bread at once. A hanger has been patented that suspends a towel from two corners so air can circulate through and dry it.

The Greek government is planning direct communication with Rome by improving present railroads and building some new ones that will connect with a ferry across the Adriatic at its narrowest point.

An attachment for farm tractors invented by a Louisiana man is intended to stop them the instant they strike an obstruction which would cause them to overturn.

The Union of Netherlands Daily Newspapers publishes a notice that, beginning July 1, the size of all the newspapers will be reduced to save printing paper, and that the charge for advertising will be increased 50 per cent.

Widespread interest having been taken in a new artificial wool, an exhaustive investigation into the properties and merits of the fiber has been made by Professor Eber Midgley, head of the department of textile industries of the Bradford technical college.

The state of New York has ordered, two and one-quarter grams of radium, at a cost of \$225,000, to combat cancer and other malignant diseases, and one gram, about one-thirtieth of an ounce, costing \$120,000, has arrived in a lead cylinder eight inches in diameter and 12 inches long.



Joe B. Redfield

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