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The Bee's Platform

- 1. New Union Passenger Station.
- 2. Continued improvement of the No-bracks Highways, including the pave-ment of Main Theroughfares 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 Omake, with City Manager form of Government.

"HE KEPT US OUT OF WAR."

A cloud of democratic spellbinders has setfled down on the middle west within the last few days, chanting a glorious hymn, attuned to the air of the paen they set up four years ago, "He kept us out of war!" Each of them solemnly asseverates that failure to endorse Woodrow Wilson by the election of James M. Cox means immediate preparation for another war, to be waged somewhere. One of them, George Lunn. definitely locates the war as to be between the United States and Mexico. Mr. Lunn further says that as a member of the house military affairs committee, he knows of the long preparations that were made for war.

As a matter of solemn fact, Mr. Lunn knows nothing of the kind. As a member of the house military affairs committee in 1917 he knows how absolutely unprepared the country was for war; he also knows how strenuously the leading democrats on that committee, including its chairman, Hubert Dent, of Alabama, and our own Ashton C. Shallenberger, opposed plans of the president for making the provisions that had to be attended to: he also knows that the really important messares that came from that committee were reported to the house by a republican, Kahn of California, and that on the floor they were fought by democrats, even Champ Clark, speaker of the house, coming down from his rostrum to argue against laws the president

A word personally about Mr. Luant Me aret came to public notice as the socialist mayor of Schenectady, to which office he was twice elected as a socialist. In 1916 he entered the race for congress as an "independent," was endorsed by the democrate and elected to the Sixty-fifth congress, promptly shedding his indeocialism, and labeling himself a democrat. His congressional service was confined to the one term,

Leon Bourgeois, president of the League of Nations, has just made a public statement in which he says "Article X could be eliminated without in any way modifying the effectiveness of the League of Nations." Woodrow Wilson says that article is the heart of the covenant, and that to modify it in any way would "break the heart of the world." M. Bourgeois certainly had the league as much in mind as does our president, and may be as well qualified to interpret it. Returning to Mr. Lunn's prediction of an-

fier war. There are worse things than war, ad one of them is an administration of public tre such as that which is now happily drawof was. He might well have gone on and the ball of the democratic congress of which to Lann was a member. Under its direction, there than a billion of dollars was swallowed up as air cost campaign that did not produce a hope airplane. A second billion went into the ball, and when the war closed not an Americanthe front line. Other billions went into the speciacture of thelle, and up to the bigning of armistics Pershing's gunners had fired only such ammunition as we were able to get from the French and British supply departments. In each of these campaigns the democrats wasted beere then half the cost of the Civil war which lested five years and had in the field the greatest unber of men ever assembled nader arms up

Early in the period Mr. Wilson served nothe it was to be a democratic war, resosly declining to admit a republican to any active participation in the government or direction of the campaign. Therefore, the only blame that can attach to the republicans arises from the fact that they gave the president support he could not get from his own party in congrees. It requires a good deal of nerve for a democrat to bring up the war as an issue now. but we will admit that the administration of Woodrow Wilson did all that possibly could be done to add to the physical horrors of war by making it as costly as wanton waste and willful entravagance could.

Cox Planning to Swap Horses.

In his speech at Huntington, W. Va., on Monday Governor Cox took a new tack in his campaign course. His latest pledge is that he confer with the senate and endeavor to reach an agreement as to the League of Nations, in order that the United States may acquire membership immediately. This departure from the course pursued by the president is noted by Cox partisans as one of the really important developments of the campaign.

Its chief significance, and almost its sole intportance, is in its divergence from the Wilson policy. Governor Cox minimizes this, however, by his subsequent attack on the "round robin" senators as conspirators. In very truth, they were patriots, for they foresaw and undertook to warn Mr. Wilson of the inevitable effect of his conduct. In what way Mr. Cox would appreach these men to win them to his view is not lain. He may have in mind the acceptance of such reservations as the senate may by a two-

One-third of the senate will be elected this year. Now and then a democratic leader has tured the suggestion that enough seats may

be captured to change the political make-up of the body. This is hardly probable. On the contrary, the republicans confidently expect to secure enough additional votes to strengthen the party's control in the senate, and render even less probable the ratification of the Treaty of Versailles without the qualifying reservations as

already proposed. Governor Cox's switch is clearly a bid for votes he does not look for if he redeems his earlier pledge to carry out the Wilson promises. It is a manifest confession of the weakness of his potition throughout the campaign, and he will find out that the middle of the stream is no place to swap horses.

Poland Defice The League

Recriminations now passing between the government of Poland and the League of Nations indicate a breaking of faith on both sides. The Polish delegation in Paris has expressed unwillingness to sign the present draft of the Danzig convention on the grounds that it does not fulfill the promise made them of free access to the sea and the control of customs, as specined in the Treaty of Versailles. So much for that dispute, with which Americans are display-

ing neither interest nor familiarity. On the other side of the shield is the faith less action of a Polish general, who has advanced into Lithuania and captured the city of Vilna in defiance of the orders of the League of Nations. True, the Polish government has disclaimed responsibility for the invasion, but at the same time it is taking no steps to deal with the mutinous general, if such he be. The suspicion exists in Europe that back of this incursion are the Polish landlords who desire to prevent the division of the great estates as planned by Lithuania.

In Paris is Paderewski, pianist turned statesman. He explains that he is trying to calm the League of Nations and help remedy the matter. His frank words, as cabled to the United States, heap new fuel on the fires of distrust that are lapping at the League of Nations as at present constituted.

"I don't see what the League of Nations can do," he is quoted as saying. "The only possible cure for the situation is time and patience. The league has no forces to drive General Zellgonski from Vilna, and if there were, I don't see how Poland could tolerate it under the circumstances."

Proponents of the League of Nations have yet to point to a single outstanding accomplishment of the league thus far. Its failures have been many, and the conviction is inevitable that the evils of the Paris covenant are at least as great as its prospective benefits.. If its provisions are not such that they can be carried out, new and better arrangements for international peace and justice surely must be attempted.

The Shortage of Husbands.

Phroughout Europe the number of women is so far in excess of the number of men left after the war that for millions of girls marriage is out of the range of possibility. According to an estimate made by the Red Cross, while in France in 1911 there were 102 women to each 100 men, each sex between the ages of 20 and 44, now there are 126 women to 100 men. This is a surplus of 1,500,000 women under 45 years of age. ccording to the census only 60 per cent of the men between 20 and 44 were married, and on this is based the statement that half the women of France cannot hope for husbands. -

Emigration from Italy established the proportion of 111 women to 100 men before the var, and the figures now are set at 125 to 100. The excess of women in Germany is new 20 per cent, and that of England has changed from per cent to 20.

Even in this day and age, matrimony is the objective of most women. How to get married becomes a problem considerably more acute than ever before. Perhaps it is the realization of this that new courses in domestic science are being opened such as that known as "bride's year" at the University of London. The subjects of study include a general knowledge of household management—budgets, laundry work and housewifery, physiology, infant hygiene, business affairs, biology and general economics. Women from many parts of Great Britain are flocking to earn 'the bride's diploma, thus showing confidence enough in the good sense of the unmarried men to believe that they will value household ability above bobbed hair and depitated eyebrows when choosing a help-

Speed on the Typewriter.

In a speed contest for the championship of the United States and Canada, an expert has succeeded in writing 131 words per minute for 60 consecutive minutes. This is at the rate of 7,680 words an hour, or as fast as the average speaker talks. For comparison, the typewriter on which this is written is a sober, steady sort of machine, that ambles along at the rate of about forty words (and a proportional number of mistakes) a minute; occasionally, in emergency, it will whoop it up to fifty or sixty, and now and then in a rare burst of speed, it has been known to do 80. At this rate it turns out a reasonable amount of copy each day. That may serve as a basis for calculating what the young man did in order to write himself down champion. From another point: If each of his written words contained four letters, and he properly spaced his output, he had to hit the keys at the rate of 655 times a minute, not to speak of shifting the carriage, which, at twelve words to the line, took place about twelve times a minute, or once every five seconds. So it must occur even to the casual observer that this champion was a very busy young man during the sixty minutes of his test. If you do not think so, just try aiming a directed blow of your fingers at the rate of ten times a second for a minute or two. The new champion has accomplished a real feat, one that will be envied by many "stenogs" and emulated

An Omaha man sizes up the situation thus: "You can't get a drink, you can't get a bet, you can't get an argument." That about tells the

Omaha is now backing the best man it has had in congress for many a year, and will see that "Big Jeff" gets the majority he deserves.

Mr. Cox says he will consult the senate about entering the league. If Mr. Wilson had done so we might now be in.

Another American has been murdered in Mexico, but that is no concern of the govern-

No republican in these parts will ever need to applogize for voting a straight ticket this year.

Twas coxy, and the harding toves Did wiggle and watble in the wabe. . . (Finish it yourself.)

FIVE hard-pressed bandits held up a train in Buffalo and robbed seven Pullman passengers of \$157. Quite a haul, when you consider that these passengers had paid for their berths and trans-

A Line O'Type or Two

Jabberwocky.

"THE need of the world is disarmament," de-clares Bourke Cockran. Especially vocal disarmament. Disarm or devoice the orators, and the world would speedily settle down.

"WHERE REASON WOULD DESPAIR" "Coolidge Finds "Roosevelt Reports
South Turning from West Going to Cox."—
Wilson."—Headline.

"IT was not the clock nor the music that made Cesar Franck's 'Prefude, Aria and Finale' somewhat longer than usual," observes Critic Aldrich in the New York Times. Why didn't he walk out on her"? We always do And why will pianists without the required imagination attempt Cesar Franck?

THE EDITOR IS HIDING IN TENNESSEE. (From the Four States, Tex., Press.) Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McEarcheren are the parents of a son who was born Tuesday and who will be named James Forbes in honor

of his father and his father's friends. WHEN Old Doctor Root explains the League of Nations it does not seem at all terrifying. The Doc's bedside manner is soothing and

SCANDAL GALLOPS WITHAL. Sir: Scandal travels fast. In St. Joseph. Mo. norted that a young doctor, a plain dresser, and argument with some illustrations. known never to look at wimmen, had been seen Frank Gotch had a lot of subcutancwalking with a girl. Some one else said her name was Grace Patts. Finally it all came out. He'd been seen with gray spats. Reminding me of the girl who ditched her sweetheart when she learned he was going to New York with Allischalmers.

W. S. Who held the championship

IF we may judge by our correspondence, Mr. Maugham excited much interest during his so-journ in Chicago. Chiefly because he made his dwelling with Mr. Filbert on Chestnut street. Correspondence from Montreal.

Sir: Montreal resembles a mining camp in its always. Their rowing teams eat push and activity. It has doubled in population more, play more, and are heavier in the last few years. They are talking boldly of a than other teams. No soldier on the in the last few years. They are talking boldly of a million in a couple of more years and of out-distancing Chicago in a decade. Why? Americans say it is because of a few harmless looking shops called dispensaries; the signs announce, "for medicinal and family purposes." Canadians say that has nothing to do with it—that it is genuine growth. At any rate, the hotels are genuine growth. At any rate, the hotels are looking two new ones, one to cost ten milgenuine growth. At any rate, the hotels are overflowing; two new ones, one to cost ten millions, are under way, every convention on the western continent is being held here. Nine percent beer and ale are legally dispensed, but the spirits must be purchased by the crock. In a week I have not seen a drunken man.

This would be a paradise for the paragrapher if the Canadians were not devoid of humor. They never laugh. Jerome K. Jerome once told me it is because of the bad cooking. Comedians in the theaters give up in despair after trying

They never laugh. Jerome A. Strain Comedians me it is because of the bad cooking. Comedians in the theaters give up in despair after trying all the time-worn devices. The audiences will it comes to exercise, he prefers useful manual labor to games. For example, he thinks William Hollensolier wise in sawing wood and his son shows good sense in making horseshoes. Golf would have done them less good.

Sir: A screen in Battle Creek flashes the ad: "Buy your plane now for your children to play en easy terms."

J. H. W.

As over desert sand
A flock of shadows pussed,
On one I closed my hand
And strove to hold it fast:
But when I looked to see The darkness I had caught, Hehold! smiled up at me The light I had not sought.

THE attorney for the Little Review, which has been jumped on by the S. P. V., contends that there is nothing in James Joyce's "Ulysses" that would lead to "sex immorality." Nor,

may we add, to insomnia. HE'S OUT OF LUCK, THAT'S ALL. (From the Hankow, China, Post.)

There are greater possibilities about Pro-hibition than were at first apparent. A re-crulting poster for the U. S. navy is said to run as follows, says the N. C. Daily Mell: "Neither France, China; Germany, Si-

beria are dry. Enlist and take a drink."

The grammar is curlous as the sentiment, though the combination is possibly an effective enough appeal. But what happens if the recruit finds himself posted to a home station?

WE look to the League of Nations for Making Virtue Odious and to Secretary Daniels to deny the existence of the recruiting poster.

Click! Click! Scross of typewriters clicking.
Clicked by condescending queens
With bushy hair
Made into curly earmuffs
Hanging down
Like houn' dogs' ears. Their cheeks are very pink:

Their noses very, very white.
From eight to five they click
(And stall)
So they can buy the satin gowns,
The georgette waists,
And the pink silk undies
Which they need to wear
To work To work In an office.

NO matter how banal the musical comedy may be, nor how caustic the review of it, the reviewer nearly always concludes, "The audience liked it."—Q. E. D. THE SECOND POST.

(Received by Sears, Roebuck and Company.) Dere Company: I received my goods and I get my goat to of number \$450. Please send me a belt for that goat I like to wear it as a full beltet goat so I like to have a belt if I cane get and I hert everie thing is Jipper now and I dident naw that before so I paid \$56.75 and that is to mutsh for that goat and everie thing Jipper around here so I thing that goat is Jipper to and I hope to get a belt from you to matsh the goat.

THERE are persons so suspicious as to believe that those almost incredible reports of the searching of diplomats' luggage are publicity stuff for Secretary Colby.

LA FOLLETTE got a big reception in Mil

WHAT THE-(Havana, Ill., Item.)

A marriage license was issued on Tuesday to Ralph Waughtel and Miss Violette Helle of Smithfield. THE FRESH MAKEUP MAN.

(From the Monmouth Atlas.) Marriage Licenses: James R. Hutchinson, Clinton, Ia., Vera Marshall, city; Walter C. Davidson, North Bend, Margaret Burnside

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MILWAUKEE'S slogan: "La Follette, we here!"

B. L. T.

Need Celestial Traffic Cop. The astronomical correspondent of the Times

suggests that the new star may have been produced through a sun being struck by a comet. This raises the question as to whether suns ought not to carry rear lights.—London Punch. Making Some Headway. The New York detectives have got as far in the Wall Street explosion as finding out that the explosive was not old-fashioned black gunpowder. Beyond that, all is in doubt.—Boston Transcript.

A Style for Rough Roads. Bustles are coming back, and unless Amendment No. 1 passes, the women of Minnesota will need them assishock absorbers when they go anto riding.—Baudette Region.

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 clamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee. Copyright, 1920, by Dr. W. A. Evans.

WHAT WILL TRAINERS SAY There is trouble in the offing for trainers of pugilists, wrestlers, and foot ball players. If their charges get hold of the August number of the Military Surgeon, keeping them on the reservation will be a hard job.

In that magazine Dr. R. M. Culler an army surgeon, .ries to prove that It is a mistake for athletes to train down. On the other hand, their ef-On the other hand, their ef-

training up.
This is the argument. Whenever we make any violent sustained effort we draw on what nature has saved up. If there is a surplus of stored energy producing food or tissue, the highly developed tissues are spared. If there is no such surplus they are burned. If a business man was getting ready for a financial storm would he begin by checking out his savings and using up his reserve? When a steamship gets out of coal do they burn the cargo and then chop up the wodwork for fuel? A prize fighter loses five or 10 pounds during a light. If he has trained down and then has dried out, where does the loss come from? It tissues. The doctor supports his ous fat evenly distributed over one who won a weight lifting contest at 52 and who held the championship

The English are champion rowers work, is to eat and drink plenty, to keep a little fat rather than be underweight. If then they have a severe illness or accident they have some reserve to draw on. The highest potentialities for health and strength are derived from a sane enjoyment of the pleasures of life.

Have Eyes Examined.

Mrs. E. C. writes: "My baby is 1 month old today. Ever since a day or so after birth his eyes have been weak and are continually running. There is a large amount of yellow matter which collects, and one eye seems worse than the other. When I cleanse them there is some that presses out between the lids. Then for a short time if the room is boric acid solution made tresh each time with boiled water and in a glass that has been boiled each time. I also use applicators which I make of medicated absorbent cotton, twisted over a toothpick. I never use less than six to eight of them, so as to be sure they are clean and sterile. When I make them I put them in a corphine clean aluminum pan in a scorching hot oven and then put them into a jar that has been boiled in boric water and seal them up, so I know everything is sterile.

REPLY. Have the pus examined baterio-ogically at once. Blindness, partial



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of zinc solution. While you are
using boracic acid with great care it

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Mrs. V. A. N. writes: "Is there any
barm for a year-old baby to bathe
in a small lake?"

REPLY.
No. Mrs. V. A. N. writes: "Is there any

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