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The Bee's Platform

- 1. New Union Passenger Station. 2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways... 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.

WORK OF THE LEAGUE ASSEMBLY.

While the League of Nations convention at Geneva is not ready to adjourn and go home, it has progressed far enough to indicate that what is done will be of little real moment.

Most important of these from an American viewpoint has to do with the Turkish situation. Mediation depends on the acceptance by each of the principles of the good offices of the intervenor.

Here is a clear indication that whatever messenger Mr. Wilson sends to Turkey, he will be confronted by a resolute demand from the sultan's government for something beyond what the treaty grants.

Mediation will, therefore, involve either delimitation of Armenia to the satisfaction of the Turk nationalist group, or the subjection of that group to such pressure, military or otherwise, as will secure its assent to the original plan.

Those who pretended to think the United States was losing its fine position as a moral leader of world affairs may study this case with some advantage.

Schemes to Depopulate Washington.

Almost one out of every four persons in Washington is a government employe. The city by law prohibits manufacturing establishments within its boundaries, and consequently the only reason for anyone living there is to hold a federal job or to sell something to those who do.

Some republican congressmen have come to the rescue with a plan to eliminate 30,000 of the 97,000 government workers in Washington. This would make a number of vacancies in the boarding houses and perhaps would empty enough residences to give the future vice president a choice.

Washington will regard this, of course, as a revolutionary proposal. Meanwhile, Iowa sits strictly unalarmed, knowing that when he speaks of the Middle West, his senator is thinking of a particular part of it.

Ancient Precedent Revived.

When Adam was asked to make a statement in regard to his part in the apple episode, he set an example that has served his descendants ever since. Just now the precedent established in Eden is revived in San Francisco, to exculpate certain democratic politicians.

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by the Volstead law. What happened to W. J. B. is thus in part accounted for. The painful truth is yet to be disclosed: A woman was the enforcing director of prohibition at San Francisco then, and the democrats who are more or less involved in litigation over the incident now are trying to make it appear that she is the responsible party.

Real Prosperity in Sight.

It is good to see the optimism with which Omaha business men look forward to the prosperity that inevitably will return after this present period of readjustment.

The dollar will buy more now than it would six months ago. Looked at in that way, Mr. Russell shows, there is no reason for alarm.

Failure to realize the necessity for an adjustment of prices is the only obstacle to quick recovery. Fundamentally conditions are sound, and there is absolutely no reason for fear.

Mr. Russell's confidence in the continued recovery of business in Omaha indicates that this policy of blockade has not been followed here. Things are moving in Omaha, and trade is said to excel that of a corresponding time a year ago.

The Broad Road of Co-Operation.

The need for mutual concessions and co-operation was never greater than today. Fault-finding may have its uses at times, but a truce is badly needed just now.

"Don't shoot the piano player—he is doing the best he knows how," is an often quoted sign in western stories, and the same spirit of bearing with each other is still needed.

The discussion as to whether some men are knackers because they are unfortunate or whether they are merely unfortunate because they are knackers will never be completely ended, but there is no doubt that a cheerful manner of regarding the world helps all around.

No one class is called upon to do any more of the conceding than any other, nor should any expect to do less. No broad-minded man, whatever his interests, regards an increase of unemployment as a good thing, but rather regards it as a situation to be warded off.

The Russian Free-for-All.

With so many rumors coming out of Russia, the report that money is to be abolished fails to startle. So many things have been abolished there, among them, food, shoes, and work in less or greater degree, that the doing away with money does not shock or even thrill.

Rubles are not worth very much even now, several thousand being necessary to buy a slender meal, and perhaps it is a race to see whether the ruble eliminates itself by losing its buying power or is eliminated by law.

Going without money has been tried by innumerable people in isolated instances even in America, never voluntarily, however. If the Russians want to put themselves in that general fix, a great many people will watch them closely to see what happens.

Mexico's new administration starts off quietly enough, but we will give our neighbors a little further time before deciding as to whether they are completely tamed.

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The husband who told his deserted wife to address him at "Hell, in care of the devil," evidently knew where he is headed for.

An increase of only \$112,000,000 in the public debt during November shows that the democrats are economizing.

A Line O' Type or Two

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

MONNET. As one who being sick has slept all day. Hearing the world beat out its vague refrain A restless rhythm in his restless brain. Hearing in dreams the cautious nurse say Meaningless phrases in a tangled skein. And wakes to find that it is night again, And all the precious sunlight slept away, So faintly runs my life when you depart, Somewhere between a waking and a dream. Scarcely I feel the sickness in my heart. Unless I go—a leaf upon a stream. The days drift by in dim and troubled light, And night when it has come is only night. JESSICA.

IT looks like a severe winter for the members of the opera clique, who have been banished from the scene of their peculiar operations. Has anyone used a claqueur as the subject of a story? Wonder what a claqueur thinks about?

SO thick were the Russian refugees on the boats arriving at Lemnos that many who had died still stood erect. It is more crowded in the New York subway during the rush hours, but as the run is short few die in the tube. DON'T CROWD, LADIES! ONE AT A TIME! (From the Petersburg Observer.)

I am offering a book of Ancient History with every hat sold at my store, from now until Christmas in order to reduce my stock. Josie Cox, South Side Millinery.

FIRED by liquor, men maltreat their wives. These wretches deserve public flogging; hanging were a compliment to some of them. On the other hand, men made emotional by liquor have conceived an extravagant fondness for their wives. We have not read about liquor floating down the river, but the matter of domestic discord; yet men who have fared homeward with unsteady footsteps under the blinking stars, know that in such moments they are much more humane than in sober daylight; they are appalled by their own unworthiness, and thinking of their wives moves them almost to tears—quite, not infrequently. They resolve to become better husbands and fathers. The spirit of wine in them captains "an army of shining and generous dreams," an army that is easily routed, an army that the wife too often puts to flight with an injudicious criticism. It is said that since Prohibition came in the cases of cruelty to wives have increased greatly in number. We do not disbelieve this. Bluebeard was a dry.

DOUBLEING IN RUGS. Sir: A want ad: "Wanted, experienced pianist for moving pictures." Why not a violinist for carrying out the rugs? Or—but you see the possibilities. GEBDEE.

EDITOR LIEBLING of the Musical Courier reminds us of the Coney Island ad: "A good pianist wanted who can operate oysters." WHAT YOU PLEASE, AND LET IT GO DOUBLE. Sir: A friend borrowed my rifle to use the first three days of hunting season. He stayed the ten days and I had to rent a gun when I went hunting. When he got back he returned the gun to me dirty. He had two snails left and wanted to sell them to me for 8 cents apiece. What shall I call him? E. W. H.

IT is easy, says the medical director of the Washingtonian Home, to tell whether a man has been drinking good whisky or moonshine; the wise person, when the moon is shining, will shine consumer spins like a top. So if you see a person spinning on a corner you will know what ails him.

THE ODDIOUS COMPLACENT. (W. N. P. Barbellion, "Enjoying Life.") How I loathe those happy folk—who are millions of them, all detestable—who with a terrible self-complacency go on revolving around the centres of their lives, perfectly satisfied with that situation in life to which—to use their own smug phrase—it has pleased God to call them; people who have no envy and no malice, who have never coveted their neighbor's ox nor his wife, and who believe out of ignorance and lack of imagination rather than out of conceit that their own life contains everything to be desired. They are fat, greasy, and smug. But their smugness is not the philosophical smugness of Marcus Aurelius. They have no philosophy. They are too happy and pleased with themselves to need one. Marcus Aurelius developed his philosophy of resignation because he feared to desire fearlessly the things he knew he would desire in vain. He put forth his hand and drew them in again. He shrunk from life, not because he did not love it, but because he loved it too well; not because he had no desires, but because he had too many. It was his reaction, as a biologist would say. The other people have their reason because life gives them no stimulus. There is no resignation after a struggle; it is contentment without one. Only very occasionally do the self-complacent harbor a suspicion that possibly all is not so well, just for a few fleeting seconds while some unpleasant person like myself pulls them by the nose, making the ugly suggestion that perhaps they could not so easily write a novel as well as their cherished views on Church and State after all may be a little questionable, that things may not be what they seem, that life to some is difficult, that men do starve and commit murder and rape, that God may not always be in his Heaven nor everything right with the world.

ALTHOUGH not sentimental, we are greatly touched by the heroic action of young Mr. Garland of New Bedford, who scorns his inheritance because he does not believe in private property. We hope the money will go to the Society for Supplying Porosknit to the Eskimaux.

SOU' BY SOUTHWEST. (From the Sat. Eve. Post.) Miss Juliana again eyed the skirted Wilbur, and the viewless wind of a smile's beginning blew across the lower half of her accusing face.

"SWEET Spirits of Niter Now Boston's Favorite Cocktail"—Headline. Evanston discovered the possibilities of niter weeks ago. Isn't chemistry fascinating! Correspondence From Japan. Sir: Letters from America bring frequent reference to "The Land of the Cherry Blossom." A pretty euphemism, that, but it applies only two weeks in the spring. For an all-year-round moniker, one that fits Japan as snugly as Adipose Arbuckle fits a sitz bath, call it "The Land of Reluctant Plumbing." Although all our plumbing is open to argument—if, on a cold night, you peel down to shivery gooseflesh in anticipation of a hot bath, nine times out of nine you will find the frost is on the plumbing and the hostess on the Fritz, who to shave in the morning involves a twenty-minute wait for the asthmatic tap to get over a coughing fit. SIB.

IF, as Mr. Wales cables, Armenia is the Achille's heel of America, Ireland, thinks O. F. W., is the O'Sullivan heel. ALL THE FACTS. Sir: Out on Ogden avenue a coal dealer makes use of the w. k. walnut whatnot as a rack for samples of his wares. Yes, the top shelf holds the chestnut. L. E. J.

"WANTED"—A first-class butler, who can milk and look after cow. Hemlock 216.—Atlanta Journal.

Boy, page the Admirable Crichton! AN Austin professor of dancing advertises: "A good dancer is popular. I cater to married folks also."

ESPECIALLY IN EDGETOWN. (From the Mornence Progress.) A box social will be held at the Edgetown school District No. 37 on Saturday.

AN inspired headliner on the Omaha Bee conveyed the news that the Ford company's October record was "one can every 18 1/2 seconds."

CHICAGO'S daily crime report indicates that none of the American gunmen operating in Ireland were drawn from the city by the ke. B. L. T.

Columbus Worked Cheaply. Some research artist has found that Columbus received a salary of only \$300 a year while discovering America. And he couldn't go into vaudeville or the Chatauqua field when he got back.—St. Louis Star.

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS

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"SEEING." HEARING YOUR HEART. Can a person feel his heart beat or hear it or see it, speaking more properly, can he feel, hear, or see evidence of his heartbeat? The answer to this question is yes. Any one who cares to take the trouble can be certain that his heart is beating. He can turn on his side and lie on his back and hear the beat of his heart as it is transmitted to the vessels of his ear.

All those who are thin and some others besides can unduly and lie on the back with abdominal walls relaxed and note the pounding of the heart as an impulse shown in the front of the abdomen above the navel.

Persons who are not very stout can sometimes see and feel the heart beat in the left chest wall just below the nipple. In many people the heart of the heart can be seen in the carotid artery and jugular vein in the neck.

And, finally, most people know how to feel the pulse. In fact, the regular normal heartbeat is almost as manifest as the regular normal breathing.

Hearing the heart in the ear or seeing it in the stomach or neck should excite no more alarm than does the breathing. At the other hand, worry does the heart no harm, however much unhappiness it brings to the individual. A neuroathetic who counts his pulse frequently and worries a lot about his heart can get up a certain degree of intermittency, but what harm does that do? He has known neuroathetics who could kick up an intermittent pulse on demand and who kept it up for years without ever harming their hearts in the least so far as I could see.

Likewise those people who become agitated over their hearts' beating in their stomachs, or their necks, or their ears, do their better ordinary even though they add to the sum total of human misery over bridges to be, but never crossed.

If we could get people to watch the way their hearts act more than they now do we would doubtless increase the mental misery of many neuroathetics. But on the other hand, fewer cases of serious heart disease would slip up on us. In time men would acquire an ability to judge these phenomena intelligently.

There is an understanding among medical men that 90 per cent of the vague pains in the left side of the chest and behind the breast bone which the patients ascribe to heart conditions are not so caused. There is a saying that practically none of the pains which women ascribe to their hearts are really so caused.

While both of these statements are true of pains which rise up while a person is at rest, the better informed of the medical profession wish that people would pay more attention to the stitches in the side and other chest pains which come on while they are excited. A pain in or near the heart or a difficulty in breathing under similar circumstances means heart overstrain almost invariably.

Bishop says it is impossible for a child to injure his normal heart by violent play, so much excess strength has it. Therefore, children's hearts are only injured by congenital lesions or by bacterial invasion. And yet some children get stitches in their sides when they play too hard, and such stitches are heart stitches. Those children have had rheumatism or other forms of contagion or St. Vitus dance, and their hearts are not organically sound in consequence. In adults a pain which starts in the chest and runs to the little finger of the left hand is almost certainly a heart pain.

A few of the heart pains which develop during repose are worth noting. Those which develop during exertion are always significant. They mean that the man is throwing too much strain on his blood pump and he will do well to govern himself accordingly.

It's Hard to Treat. M. C. M. writes: "I. Can you tell me the meaning of otosclerosis of the ears?"

"2. Can one be cured who has it?" "3. Also, what is the cause of it?" REPLY.

1. Thickening of the membranes of the deeper parts of the ear and stiffening of the joints between the hearing bones.

2. Treatment is not satisfactory as a rule. In most cases infections and inflammations which have extended to the ears from the throat and nose, tonsils and adenoids.

Eyes Swerve. "Worried" writes: "Can you kindly advise me as to the cause of a person's eyes crossing once in a while? I have been thus bothered for about two or three months and

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ODDS AND ENDS.

England has organized a museum in which will be displayed models of famous and historic aircraft.

An inventor has combined a farm tractor and hay press with which rapid work can be done in fields.

An American citizen has secured a government contract for cutting and exporting mahogany and other timber from the north coast of Honduras.

Attorneys at Rockville, Ind., solved a question of etiquette caused by the impounding of 13 women for jury duty when they appeared in the Parke county court in fall evening dress.

The fluctuations of the value of the mark are so great and violent, and

the impracticability of forecasting the variations to even an approximate degree has made it almost impossible for German buyers to safely import even the most necessary goods.

More than a year ago Mrs. E. E. Fisher of Toledo lost an umbrella. The other night she dreamed she had left it at a dry goods store. The next morning she went to the store, and the umbrella was found in a closet where it had been put when it was unclaimed.

No Place to Go. If Lenin and Trotsky do not lose their heads when they lose their jobs, where under the sun will they be suffered to take up a residence?—Providence Journal.

The Art and Music Store "The Store of a Thousand Ideas" Grand Pianos Upright Pianos Player Pianos Apollo electric reproducing piano Piano Benches Player Rolls Roll Cabinets Victrolas Musical Records Victor Instruments of All Kinds Pictures Mirrors Frames Art Flowers Smoker Sets Cordova Leath. Bric-a-Brac Lamps Candle Sticks Candles Book Ends Vases Art Materials Painting Outfits for Oil, Water Color, China, Charcoal and Pastel. A. Hesper Co. 1513-15 Douglas St.

QUIT KICKING I was asked the other day if our slogan, "Business Is Good, Thank You," was not a mistake in these so-called hard times, and I replied that I did not think so—that business will always be good for the man who keeps cheerful and smiling and who takes pride and pleasure in doing the best he can. There is no argument to the fact that bills are not being paid as promptly as customary; that the banks are not loaning money as freely as we would like to see it loaned; that the farmer is not getting as much money for his crop as either he or we think he should. It is true that automobiles are not selling as readily as they were and it is true that prices in many lines are tumbling, but that is what we all had to expect anyhow, and there is no reason why any of us should go into mourning and act as if business had gone to the dogs and the country into the hands of a receiver. For the Love of Mike, let us begin to act the part of men and not long-tailed rats. Let us be doubly thankful for the business we are doing. Let us not forget that the war was won; that prices of necessity had to come back to normal. Let us get down on our knees and thank God prices are doing the very thing we all knew they had to and the very thing we all hoped they would do. When we average up the last few years we have got to admit we have all made more money than we ever expected to make, and when we consider conditions in this country we have to admit that the little old U. S. A. is better off than any other country in the world today and that little old Nebraska and Iowa are better off than any other section of America. Let us "hold up our heads, wipe off our chins, and grin." It is my personal opinion we have had things made so easy for us that we are developing into a bunch of babies who have forgotten how to take punishment. What we need is friendly, courageous optimism, and once we develop it, believe me when I say, we will discover very much to our surprise that ALL "Business is good, thank you." L. V. NICHOLAS OIL CO. President.