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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,

#### FOOD, FAMINE AND NEBRASKA.

One of the anomalies of nature has arisen to bring confusion into Nebraska. The fertile fields of our state, favored by an unusual season of sunshine and rain, have brought forth a crop of such proportions as transcends the adjective "bountiful," and yet that very plenty holds an element of difficulty. Prices for farm products have shrunk far below the safety line and the farmers face actual loss on all they send to market. Consequently from all parts of the state come murmurings and mingled with these are threats of destroying or wasting the crop. Is this course the wise one?

Our president just now adds his appeal to that of others for relief to be furnished the starving people in the Near East. To them Americans have already contributed \$41,000,000, and at least a million of them live because of the generosity of the people of this land. Now the appeal is for another \$23,000,000 that these people may be carried through another winter of famine into a possible year of harvest,

While we have been turning our eyes to the Near East, interested in the suffering there and in central Europe, we have forgotten the greater calamity that has overtaken another people. In the Near East a million are hungry; in China literally tens of millions are starving; the victims of utter famine and destitution are dying daily by thousands. While consortiums are being arranged to finance the further existence of an inadequate and inefficient government, little or nothing is being done for the people, who accept death as inevitable or who vainly try to avert it by eating weeds, dry leaves or anything they can masticate.

Have we no genius, national or otherwise, who can arrange to get the starving millions of Syria, Armenia and China into touch with the grain that is said to be wasting in Nebraska's overflowing bins, cribs and granaries, or is standing unharvested in the fields? This challenge to our civilization is direct. If we are the leaders of the world, we should find a way to answer the call of .hungry babies, dying mothers, desperate fathers, and see to it that no grain of wheat or ear of corn perishes unused while famine stalks unchecked through the world

### Perils of Too-Sudden Democracy.

If Japan were a democracy, war would be much more probable than it really is, according to the view brought back from the Orient by a retired business man of Omaha. The people there are reported to have been stirred to a high pitch by the newspapers, and are bitter over the California attitude toward Japanese. The oligarchy of statesmen who control Japanese affairs, however, realizes that it would be folly to engage in conflict with Amerjca. Not only is the nation's treasury too low to finance warlike operations, but the Chinese and Koreans would present a formidable problem once Japan withdrew its attention from Shantung and its other spheres of influence on the continent of Asia. The theory that the common people of a

nation are naturally more pacific than their rulers, and are essentially opposed to hostilities in which they would bear the burdens and stand the losses appears to be upset by this situation. All proposals to defer declaration of war until the people hold a referendum are based on the theory that this would prevent most wars. Perhaps it would, but in circumstances such as exist in Japan, where the people have been wrought up to a frenzy of jingoism by the press, the result would be far from meeting that expectation.

The small governing class of Japan has sources of information and actual knowledge of the actual situation that cannot be understood by the people as a mass. If intelligence were more widely spread in the islands, it is possible that the people would not be so prone to seek action, but with conditions as they are, it perhaps is a fortunate thing that Japan is not yet fully democratized.

### "lake" Not a Beverage.

Our supreme court has added another little nugget of wisdom to the accumulating pile that has grown out of our experience with prohibition. This time it has decided that jamaica ginger is not a beverage. We are inclined to agree with the court. Having no experience with the peculiar concoction, knowing it only by hearsay and reputation, we are of the opinion that it will never serve as a substitute for any of the dinner wines that once graced the menu card, nor is it likely that any who ever felt the genial glow inspired by rye or bourbon will find in the drug store product known colloquially as "jake" that which they looked for when they lifted the decanter and poured forth a libation of mellow whisky. Jamaica-ginger may serve to give the "kick" so many purblind and misguided amateur tipplers seem to seek; in the case at court it appeared to have done so, for the defendant in error was found unconscious on the floor with a bottle of the mixture in his hand, but the tippler who merely sought intoxication never knew the joy of wine or the comfort of strong drink. The court's decision may of may not make the enforcement of prohibition easier, but it will not encounter a great deal of opposition among those who did appre-

THEOMAHA BEE clate and discriminate in the matter of bever-

#### Let's Pull Together.

The Bee is not disposed to join the quarrel being waged by its two contemporaries in Omaha as to which receives the larger advertising patronage. It doesn't presume that its readers are especially interested in tabulations of statistics on a question which after all concerns few but the newspapers themselves. It has an idea that Omaha is tired of newspaper

The Bee, just now, feels anything but quarrelsome. Its new ownership and management has just completed ten months of striving to serve its readers and advertisers, and it is very appreciative of the good will which has been manifest toward it-a good will which gave The Bee a gain of 3,248 lines of advertising in a month when one contemporary lost 138,376 and the

other 131,698 lines as compared with a year ago. The Bee considers its own prosperity and success bound up inseparably with that of Omaha and Nebraska. Just now it imagines that that can be served best by courageous and united effort, all together, to solve the many problems which face us. Let's pull together and make "Onward, Omaha!" a reality.

#### New World View of the League.

The clash in the assembly of the League of Nations, precipitated by the resignation of the representative of the republic of Argentina, arises out of the conflict between the ideals of the new world and those of the old. Voting with Argentina for the proposal to alter some of the articles of the covenant was Paraguay, and Canada. New Zealand and Australia are also said to lean toward the revision.

Senator Knox, together with Borah, Moses and other irreconcilables, are quoted as viewing this situation in the light of a break-up of the league. Lord Robert Cecil, member of the British Parliament from Oxford and representative of South Africa in the league assembly, declares that existence of the league is unmenaced, even should a few other nations resign. From this distance, however, it appears that the least that can happen is that the dictatorship of the great powers over the functions of the international organization must be modified if even the pretense of harmony and usefulness is to be preserved.

The fact is that Argentina got in the way of the big powers' steam roller. Pueyrredon's proposals included one for the election of the council by the assembly. This would have shaken the hold of England, France and Italy on world politics, since as things now stand, they are supreme in the controlling body of the league. The other amendments called for an international tribunal to have compulsory jurisdiction over disputes, for admission of all sovereign states to the league and for admission of delegates from small states which are not entitled to full membership. Opponents of any changes in the covenant moved to refer all amendments to a committee and take no action on them until 1921. Although it has been generally maintained that all action of the assembly must be by unanimous vote. President Hymans of the league ruled that a unanimous vote was not necessary in case of procedure, and disregarded the adverse ballot of the South American nation.

Throughout the meeting in Geneva there has been unending conflict between the small and exclusive league council and the democratically organized assembly. Efforts to correct certain evils of the mandatory system and to eliminate Article X likewise were without effect, as were those of the Scandinavian nations for other re-

On the one hand is a rather general feeling that the powers have neglected the feelings and wishes of the smaller nations, and on the other is the claim that the great Latin-American nation acted too precipitately. However, the judgment of the government of Argentina coincides with that so recently expressed by the American people, that there are manufest dangers and inequities in the covenant that must be corrected. With the United States and Argentina. the two greatest nations of the new world, agreed in their attitude toward the league of nations, either a change of heart must come over the directing minds of the league, or its collapse will be threatened.

### Governor on the Right Track.

"In many counsels lies wisdom," a proverb trite, perhaps, but as true today as when first uttered. Governor McKelvie realizes this, it seems, for he has announced a series of conferences by which he hopes to get a concentrated notion of public opinion in his state, as to its needs and by what means the welfare of its citizens may be better secured. The list of organizations included in his invitation takes in about every activity or interest in the state, and with proper attendance should result in a free discussion from all angles of the problems of government. It is, of course, presumed that finally the governor will make up his mind in the light of the advice he has been given, but without prejudice to any; that he will not allow the conflict of interest between certain of the groups to disturb the balance authority must maintain towards all the citizens, and that he will so co-ordinate the suggestions made as to bring something like harmony to all. If he can succeed in doing this, he will exemplify wisdom in its highest expression. His plan deserves success, for it is good.

A local promotor talks of an apartment house, in which the tenants will be permitted to pay for and own the rooms they occupy. They are permitted to pay for them now.

Payrolls and registered mail are no longer looked upon as preferred risks by the insurance

Possibly the burglar who discovered his victim's money beneath a pillow was a base ball player.

When the socialists can not agree as to the soviets, it is a good time for outsiders to remain

Ponzi will not be permitted to wear silk shirts in prison, which ought to console his

Wonder how the thieves that cleaned up \$1,750 in 24 hours regard the excess profits tax?

The parity between a dollar and a square

meal is slowly being revived. They're off again at Washington.

### A Line O'Type or Two Hew to the Line, let the quies fall where they may.

To Laura Blackburn. (Upon learning that I am to see her at the

Bookfellows' luncheon.) Oh Laura, is the moment come The face that launched so many a pome? Art violet? Or vamp?

I've languished, yearned for many a year, I've wooed you in the Line, But you stayed distant and austere,

nce more I ask, 'tis not too late'. Wilt tend my hearth-fire's spark? I'll be to you a faithful mate.
Your own true love. FETE RARK.

You never would be mine

NOW that we all know it was neither Socates nor Epictetus who learned Greek at 81 because, you see, being Greeks they did not Chicago had a typhoid death rate often?" have to study the language), you may like to know something about Julius Caesar. He was, narrates a high school paper, "the noblest of English kings. He learned Latin late in life in order to translate an ecclesiastical work into the vernaculary of the common people."

WE are reminded by our learned friend W. F. Y., that Socrates began at 64 to study English, but had to give it up as a bad job. "The fact," he says, "is interestingly set forth in Montefiori's 'Eccentricities of Genius'."

AIN'T EDUCATION WONDERFUL! (From the Journal Educational Research.) Whenever the test result does not agree with the school record of the child, further study of the case is insisted upon to see if the cause of the difference can be discovered.

AND now it is under the single standard that Mr. Bryan, the w. k. wet blanket, is rallying the unco guid. Bill could be elected president under the single standard-of the L. M.

#### Agnes or Mark?

Sir: The case for the Keats Memorial is Agnes were written there. The famous tree is a mulberry and not a plum. In the eighteenth century England tried planting the work. even stronger than you have put it. A part of Endymion and Hyperion and the Eve of St. century England tried planting the mulberry for silk culture, but only four or five of the trees survived, and the one at Lawn Bank is one of the noblest. MRS. W. G.

MR. KRAMER is another speech-making prohibition agent who needs to be reminded that all we want from him is prohibition and

damned little of that. THE TOONERVILLE TROLLEY.

Sir: In Freeport, where they have 15-min- What are the minimum needs for ute service, the car, with seats comfortably beds in sanitaria and hospitals? In the true to the crossing and the motor- Framingham one to two beds for vear. In a comfilled, pulled up to the crossing and the motor-man stuck his head out the window and yelled, "Wait for the next car and you'll get a seat, and then turned on the juice." J. P. W.

#### Rhetoric and Tea. (Scene—A "Rhetoric Tea." All present are university "instructors in rhetoric.")

Riq (taking a cookie)-What do you think 2nd Instructor-Mencken? Oh, he strikes me as a poseur (sips tea) . . . a smart

Riq-How much of him have you read? 2rd Instructor-Oh, not much; a couple of

Riq-Anyone here read "The Cream of the Three Instructors-Who's it by?

3rd Instructress—Let me think . . . Cowell? 2nd Instructor—Ah . . . Ca-Bell! Riq-Read it?

2nd Instructor-Ne, but I'm trying to get hold of "Jurgen." Riq-What do you mean by "smart aleck"?

2nd Instructor-Oh, what I don't like in mod-ern literature is the tendency to be smart. Riq-What do you mean by "smart"? 2nd Instructor-Well-I don't know; I guess

4th Instructress-The trouble is that the naturalist writers of today are seeking forbidden

Riq-Forbidden by whom? 3rd Instructress-They're

away from instead of toward the central hub of the normal, the classic. They seek the moroid particular instead of the universal truth. Riq-What is the universal truth?

3rd Instructress-I can't explain it to you. Riq-It never got me anything.

3rd Inst .- You see you're in the outer dark-6th Instructor-It seems to me that the mod-

ernists are all the time trying to startle and irritate you. I don't think any of the contemorary stuff is worth reading. Riq-What do you think of Dunsany? 3rd Instructress-Oh, I don't think much of

2nd Instructor-He's not much.

Riq (taking another cookie)-But Dunsany a classicist. 4th Instructress (after an awkward pause)-I'd like another cup of tea, if you don't mind. RIQUARIUS.

IT is predicted by the president of North-western university that Chicago will be the edu-cational center of the United States; in spite of the board of education.

The L. E. S. N. Sir: If the Sabbatatians are merely trying to make life iniserable for most people and virtue odlous they are going at things in the right way. But if they are animated by a desire for better morals they are, as usual, going things in the wrong way. If a quiet, restful Sunday is aimed at, if the Sabbatarians wish us to stay at home, play with the babies, go to church and get drunk in the back yard in the afternoon on home brew, the quickest way to arrive at that is to climinate Saturday night. Let them legislate to have Saturday afternoon run till 10 p. m., with all business establish-ments open, and Sunday morning begin at 10.01 on what was, before legislation, Saturday night, and have everyone in bed and not allowed to get up till 9 the next morning, and most of the cobwebs of crime and iniquity of Sunday would done away with. With Saturday night eliminated, we would, most of us, be sufficiently sober the next morning to enjoy ourselves rationally all day Sunday. I'm for a League to Eliminate Saturday Night. W. F. Y.

TO the inspired compositor and proofreader of the York, Neb., News-Times hevis General

### Desperate Remedies.

(From the Manistee News-Advocate.) My wife, Mrs. John F. Wells has left my bed and home without any just cause. I will not become responsible for any debts contracted by her after the above date.

This is to certify that I have this day severed my relationship with John F. Wells, my husband, for the sole reason that I did not want the responsibility of a home on my hands, and for no other reason whatsoever, for he has always been a kind and loving and devoted husband to me at all times and provided well for me and done all in his power to make life pleasant for me, and I have enjoyed our married life very much until three weeks ago when I became de-spondent and would not become reconciled. Signed, Mrs. J. F. Wells.

"SAVE," suggests the Joe Beeson company, "\$10 to \$20 on cut prices in other stores," Thanks for the hint. Which are the other

"GOTT MIT UNS." Sir: The following item is from an auction catalogue of scarce English coins: "Commonwealth, 1649, 20 shilling piece

Shield of St. George within wreath, "The Commonwealth of England." Rev. shields of St. George and Ireland joined together, XX above, GOD WITH VS." Do not the German mand convicted of rank plagiarism?

HIS SPITTER WAS UNHITTABLE. (From the Elgin Courier.) He was graduated from Hanover high school and received his college education at Notre Dame, where he won fame as a pitch-er for the Notre Dame foot ball team.

THERE was so much bowing and scraping on the streets of Chicago yesterday that it was hard to get about. Who would not be polite for \$50%

# How to Keep Well

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 in care of The Bee. Coppright, 1920, by Dr. W. A. Evans.

Not Harmful as Foods.

Yes.

X. Y. Z. writes: "1. Is it harm

They are all right.
Absolutely necessary, no. Ad-

Take Gas-Have Them Pulled.

J. C. M. writes. 'What is the best

method for having tine teeth ex-

tracted for a young man 32 years old who has had a heart murmur since he was 21? At present he is

suffering from neurathenia. Like

dentist. He has some teeth that need fixing and thinks they may

have direct bearing on his present

REPLY.

Metal Poison May Cause It.

finger tips? They are so bad, they wake me up and keep me awake for hours. They never bother me in

daytime, although I can feel them in my finger joints. They never bothered me before last month. What can I do? Both arms are affected, sometimes the left arm the worse. I am mining. Might that be the cause of it? I have had lead poison and quicksilver poison several times."

REPLY.

ritis. There are different causes for neuritis. An examination is required

to tell the cause in your case. Me-tallic poisoning could be the cause

In all probability you have neu-

E. W. writes: "What is the cause of shooting pains from shoulder to

He should take gas and have them

T. B. YARDSTICK FOR CITIES. | Its general death rate as well as At the end of the three years orginally set as the period of study Dr. D. B. Armstrong reported that the death rate from consumption ful to eat meat during pregnancy in Framingham, Mass., had declined 2. Can one eat meat during the first months of pregnancy? 3. Is

about one-third. bout one-third.

It was 121 at the start, while at also barred, or would it be all right the end of three years it was \$1. to eat some of them? Eighty-one deaths from consumption per 100,000 living is a very low of pregnancy should a woman start death rate. About 25 years ago to have her wrine tested and how twice that high, and now the rate has been around one for several years. Is it too much to hope for that 25 years from now Framingham may have a consumption rate

visable, yes.
5. Have one analysis made in in the neighborhood of one? Armstrong reports that his phy-the early months. After the fifth month examinations should be made icians are finding less consumption now, and especially less neglected consumption. This leads him to hope that the decrease in consump-

tion will continue. While the experiment was founded upon a suggestion which Heiser brought from Victoria, Australia, that consumption might be brought inder control in a few years, and while this promise is not being met in all its fullness, there has been great progress. The lessons learned at Framingham suggest to Dr. Armstrong a Framingham yardstick with which other communities may measure themselves. Here are some of the features of that yardstick as applied to a city of 100,000 popula-

How many cases of consumption

How many cases should be under care? In Framingham for every death there should be nine to 10 cases under care. In a city of 100,-000 population with a tuberculosis death rate of 100 per annum there should be 900 to 1,000 cases under the care of physicians either at home or in institutions such as hos-

each death per year. In a com-munity of 100,000 population with 100 deaths from consumption a year there should be 100 to 200 beds for nsumptives.

Have that investigated. What proportion of cases of con-sumption should be given hospital or sanitarium care? In Framingham about 33 1-2 per cent. In a city of 100,00 about 333 cases.

What will be the cost of all health

vork on a comprehensive plan, in-luding tuberculosis work? In Framingham over \$2 per captia. In a city of 100,000 about \$200,000 a year. What results can be expected? In Framingham a reduction of one-third in the tuberculosis death rate was achieved in three years. A community of 100,000 should lower

#### KING MANUEL LOST HIS THRONE TO PLEASE ONE WOMAN WHAT WOULD YOU DO? 9 7



## Dresherized" Clothes!

Know what that nieans? Well, "Dresherized" clothes means clothes that have been cleaned, pressed, dyed, altered, steamed, repaired or remodeled in Dresher's wondrous establishment.

"Dresherized" Clothes look, feel and wear like new-so you see the person who believes in "Dresherization" is a pretty wise sort of a person after all, for "Dresherizing" doesn't cost

If it sounds good to you, Phone Tyler 0345.

## DRESHER BROTHERS

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IN THE BEST OF HUMOR.

Stella-"Did you call for help when he bised you in the dark? Maybelle-Sily, I should say not. He didn't need any help.—Boston Globe.

what they are talking about?-Ma "I hear the government is going to law which will be of real beach

Maybelle Stily. I should say not He didn't need any help tested Clobe.

If Harvard succeeds in its attempt to make its students speak correct English how will anybody be also to understand may consider as his own property. —1.



# Are You Your Own Tailor?

Joe B. Redfield

If you make your own coats, it is probable that you can plan your own advertising just as successfully.

But if you prefer to have both your clothes and your advertising tailored by an experienced craftsman the K-B service department is yours to command.

> Planning, copywriting, illustrating, printing, addressing, mailing-"From the desire to sell clear to the cash

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Harvey Milliken

## "YOU ARE RIGHT!"

Declared a prominent business man in commenting on our first business editorial, "Quit Kicking," published last Friday. "There is not the slightest doubt the easy money of the last four years has spoiled us. Salesmen have been order takers-not salesmen. It was not a question of making a sale, but of consenting to take an order. The automobile business, for instance, became a great and successful business because of the genius and magnificent sales ability of the men engaged in it, but for the last few years we waited in line and begged permission to place an order. Thank the Lord, we are again at the place where it will be necessary to brush up the sales talk, develop convincing arguments, and go out after business. In other words, we must all go back to

I am quoting the above remarks for the reason they are typical of the comment we have on every hand, and show the situation is recognized as basicly sound and that our quarrel is with ourselves, not conditions.

Pyramiding could not go on forever, and we all knew it. Yet instead of being willing to accept the situation, we have tried to prove that two and two does not make four.

As Ward Burgess said Thursday night: "Everything is here just where it was." All we need is red-blooded, intelligent, honestto-God, not-afraid-of-work, Optimism.

When we get over our afraid-in-the-dark cowardice and begin to look our temporary losses squarely in the eye without a nervous collapse, we will be surprised to discover we have put in motion the wheels for a splendid and almost instantaneous business

Right now we all realize we have been afraid of a stuffed club. Right now we are awakening to the fact that business is good and getting better. Right now we are discovering the secret of true success is WORK -that spirit which prompts us to get out into the highways and byways, beat the bushes and look for business as we did in the good old days when hard work spelled

The man or firm who wants business bad enough to go out after it will be surprised at the splendid volume to be found.

Don't forget!

Dame Fortune is a woman—the Leap Years are over-she is through courting us-we must now get busy and do some tall courting ourselves.

And for the Love of Mike, "Why Not?"

Micholas President.

L. V. NICHOLAS OIL CO.

"Business Is Good, Thank You.