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## The Bee's Platform

1. New Union Passenger Station.

- 2. Continued improvement of the Ne-braska Highways, including the pave-ment of Main Thoroughfares leading into Omaha with a Brick Surfece.
- 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.

#### PARDONS AND PAROLES.

Recommendations of Attorney General Davis for amendment of the indeterminate sentence and parole laws, establishing a procedure to be followed by the board of pardons created by the new constitution, appear to The Bee to be basically sound and worthy of careful consideration by Governor McKelvic and the state legislators.

The attorney general's proposals cover three main items.

First-Provision for thorough hearing and full publicity on all applications for pardons or paroles. Second-Limitation of the indeterminate

sentence by eliminating crimes against the person or attempted crimes of this nature from its scope.

Third-Extension of the power of the courts to fix a minimum as well as a maximum sentence in cases covered by the indeterminate sentence law.

Quite properly the attorney general upholds the principle of the indeterminate sentence. It meets the need for a system of administering the criminal law that gives consideration not only to the punishment of an offender but to his possible reformation. It recognizes that there may be true penitence, that man's soul may be purged of the evil once within it and become clean, making him again a fit member of society.

But the attorney general recognizes also that certain and adequate punisment constitutes an example to others tempted. He recognizes furthermore that punishment by law is civilization's substitute for private vengeance; if it be allowed to become too lax, the individual's outraged feeling may take the law into his own hands-and mob law may result.

In some details The Bee disagrees with Mr. Davis. It doubts the advisability of published notice of forthcoming hearings on pardons and goaded by being put beyond the pale of Ameriparoles in the county in which the crime was committed. It inclines to believe that the provision for notice to the judge, the county attorney and sheriff of such county, with mandatory provision for recommendations from such officials, constitutes sufficient notice to the community and saves the applicant from danger of prejudice on the part of an organized minority. The probability is that the local officers can be depended upon to reflect fairly the majority sentiment of their respective communities as to made for application of the indeterminate sentence to cases involving crimes against the person in cases of first offenders barely of legal age.

in many cities, and without doubt will be responsible for the saving of many lives, both of drivers and persons afoot. The total of 3,808 persons killed in automobile accidents last year represents 14.1 deaths out of each 100,000 of population. There has been an increase every year since 1915, and an increase of 245 over 1918.

But, to continue to look on the hopeful side of this condition, the number of automobiles is being enlarged each year. Fifteen years ago the accident death rate was 8 per 100,000, and now it stands at 14.1; in this same time there has been a greater proportionate increase in the number of cars. The attention devoted to prevention of reckless driving has had its effect, and there is no reason to despair of a gradual minimizing of the dangers of the road.

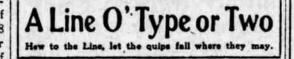
#### Mr. Burleson's Concluding Mistake.

Postmaster General Burleson's attempt to shift part of the burden of the deficit of his department on the shoulders of the rank and file of the employes does not coincide with the public belief that those in the mail service were underpaid and are now getting no more than they earn or need to maintain an American standard of living. His effort to blame "paid agitators" for-demoralizing the service by organizing the government employes into protective associations may also be considered as the product of his pique over the success of the movement for an increase in salaries.

Too often the natural working of human nature is laid to agitation. More often the expression of dissatisfaction and a desire for better conditions is spontaneous, merely pushing forward men to be its spokesmen. In cases where this is true, it is blindest folly to single out one man or a little group and load them with the entire responsibility.

Americans are not sheep, nor do they require bellwethers when they have personal knowledge of questions at issue. Mr. Burleson evidently aspired to be a bellwether and is chagrined at his failure. This is not to say that there are no agitators or that controversy is not sometimes stirred up by propaganda emanating not from a public source but a private one. Agitators exist on both sides of the fence, and by some the postmaster general might be so classified. There are radical stirrers up of distrust and trouble as well as conservative. In some instances men who perhaps see the opportunity for a fat living pursue the policy of attempting to scare business men and employers with conjured up visions of blue ruin and red destruction if they do not contribute to the support of a counter-offensive of propaganda. On the other hand there are men who paint a picture of modern life as a desperate struggle in which happiness can only come from revolutionary changes in the wage system.

Both these extremes must fall under suspicious scrutiny, for there is no real public sentiment that gives birth to either-they are patently manufactured for personal ends. This being the case, it is not only unjust but dangerous to refer to every movement for moderate reform or change as the work of agitators. Those who occupy the middle ground, with their grievances and desires self-contained, should not be encouraged to regard themselves as radicals nor



THE yellow race seems to take it for granted that in a finsh fight the white race would be extinguished. Possibly. But the yellow boys would know that they had been in a fight.

"WE wish the co-operative factories a suc-cess," says an esteemed contemporary on our left. So do we, with this prediction, that if left. So do we, with this prediction, that if nois, the prevailing custom, at least success is achieved it will be by the same among the people with whom he methods that are employed in the iniquitous was thrown in contact, was to make capitalistic system.

#### Classical Who's Who.

Orbillus, didst thou some time dream of fame? 'Twere better than thou shouldst forever lack it Than that thou shouldst have won an odious name

By warming well that small Horatfon jacket. CALCITROSUS.

reappeared in great numbers. But what we home, stewed them up on the kitch-had in mind was that you likely know there is en stove, and when the patient came a variety of dandelions which is cultivated for back on Friday he was given a jug-ful of a vile looking, vile smelling

THE BEE: OMAHA, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1920.

WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHAT'S THE MATTER? (From Oak Park Oak Leaves.)

Lost-Bicycle taken at foot ball game Sunday, November 28; have evidence of mis-

creant: please return to 711 Belleforte, if you wish to avert trouble. Found-On foot ball field, Harlan Ave. and Division; man's bicycle and sweater aft-

er game Sunday; owner may have same by identifying and paying for this ad. Call at \$30 North Harlan Ave. "IMMIGRANTS have helped to make this

country the richest and most powerful in the world," declares Representative Sabath. All world "Let's keep it so." right. are:

#### The Death-Bed of the Year.

With panic shrick the clouds in fleecy flight Stampede before the winter's frosty scowl; Dreary 'mongst weaving trees a banshee how Lamenting at the tomb of June's delight. Out-walls the leath'ry creak of gees affright Far in the gusty sky. Unawed the owl

With ribald hootings mocks the watch-dog's growl. Whose echoing kennel bays the voiceful night.

The dotard year thus moans his night demise, Still my high heart a stranger is to fear, Since well its knows, 'spite of such auguries, Soon will a sweeter summer's pioneer Sing in your skylark voice, then follow after The fountain's rise and falling of your laughter

PETRARCHINO. A DISPATCH from Manila reports the killing of 30 Moros as the result of "efforts to encourage the education of children." And echo comments: "Underne ize em with a Krag." "Underneath the starry flag civil-

"MY excuse for admitting that I am a democrat," confides S. J. M., "is the following from Mr. Harding's Bedford speech: 'It takes all the impressions of human existence and by some alchemy of love removes the dross and makes golden the cross of faith which is the rosary to oil.

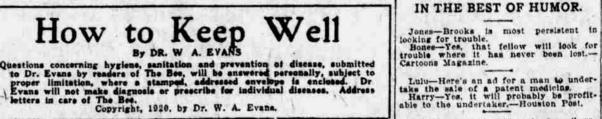
every human prayer." Straw, Cork and Plain. Sir: What the housewives want is a mandate for Our Menials. William, Woodrow and Warren-we seem to

make our presidents pass an alliteracy test. This is a poor season to test politeness

everybody, even the office boy, is courteous just before Christmas. The difference between Edward Fitzgerald and F. Scott Fitzgerald is this: Edward wrote Omar Khayyam, and F. Scott writes Omarkhowsmarthayyam. Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Harding no doubt

talked about the servant problem, the efficiency of the White House janitor, and how very high, inders as thick as a thumb. my dear, everything is in Washington,

Two Weish golfers played for 20 miles, in 608 strokes. Soon we'll have coast-to-coast tour-naments, and Boulevard Links, and Bunker It's False Theory. E. W. writes: "In an old book I



say feed vegetables what does that mean besides potatoes and carrots? Surely not such things as cabbage, "DAYS OF REAL SPORT." When the late Elbert Hubbard was a boy in McLean county, Illipeas, beans and onions? Then what is left."

REPLY.

"Clothes do not make the man," re-marked the ready-made philosopher. "No," answered the friend who was studying a tailor's bill. "They don't make The Canadian Pacific has fulfilled a new ideal in travel with its superior trains that glide over smooth, solid road-bed through 600 miles of Alpine Fairyland from Galgary to Vancouver and Victoria on the way to California

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him. They break him."-Answers Lon

"What was the matter with that lady who just hurriedly left the stores," asked

"She found fault with the potatoes." re-

plied the clerk. "What was the matter with the pota-

"She didn't like the color of their eyes!"

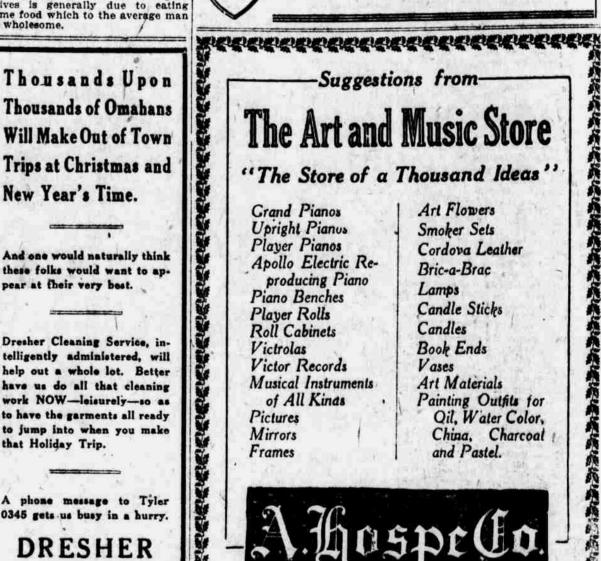
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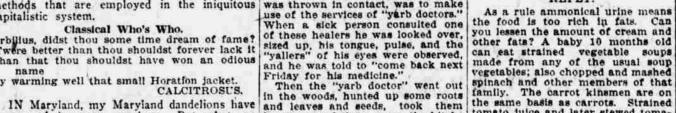
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and vile tasting compound and told to take a gobletful at a time. These concoctions got Elbert Hub-

bard's goat to such an extent that he ran away from home, grew long hair, and became a reformer, an anti-vaccinationist, anti-vivisectionanti-medicine-out-of-abottleist, and generally anti-medic.

Had Dr. B. Fantus been Elbert Hubbard's doctor when that genius was "in bad," the explosive, convention bursting energy might have been worked off in another direction. Dr. Fantus has two axioms about medicating children which ap-ply to some extent to adults. They

is wholesome. "A struggle in administration sometimes does more harm than the

"The more we know about medi-cines the less offensive is our medication.

What a pity it did not fall to the lot of Dr. Fantus to purge Elbert Hubbard in those earlier formative days. He has written a book on candy medication from which we can learn how to give it to children and make them happy about it. From his little book on useful ca-

thartics I take the following formulas and recipes: To take castor oil—Place a layer of thick sirup of any flavor in a medicine glass, the inside of which is smeared with the sirup. Pour the

And one would naturally think these folks would want to appear at their very best.

is smeared with the sirup. Pour the oil in the middle of the glass without touching the sides. Cover with orange juice. Place the edge of the glass inside the lower lip on the teeth, swallow at one gulp. Or dissolve 1 grain of saccharin in 60 minims of 3 per cent alcohol, add one-tenth of 1 per cent vanillin and one-tenth of 1 per cent oil of cloves. This can be added to the oil.

Biscuits-One-half cup Bran wheat bran, one-half cup improved graham flour, 1 teaspoonful baking power, 1 teaspoonful melted butter,

saltspoonful salt, milk. He gives 10 bran food recipes. Agar Jelly-Wash 5 parts agar in cold water. Add to it 400 parts of water and boil until clear. Flavor with wine, sugar, tens. cream, or yolk of egg. Fruit Cake-Senna

Laxative Fruit Cake-Senna eaves, figs, dates, prunes and raisins (the fast three all seedless) are mixed in equal parts. Chop fine, mix by kneading, and roll into cyl-A phone message to Tyler

0345 gets us busy in a hurry. DRESHER

family. The carrot kinsmen are on the same basis as carrots. Strained tomato juice and later stewed toma toes are allowable. The "po toes are allowable. The "pot liquor" which southen babies find so helpful, in a glorified vegetable soup. Fresh cider can be added to the list. The above list of vego-

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table foods is program enough along that line for the next several months. Your baby is thriving, so do not change its diet materially. Give less fats and more cereals and bread and let it go at that.

Find Troublesome Food.

A reader writes: "Is there any for hives? If so what is that cure cure?" REPLY.

Yes. Find what food causes the trouble and refrain from eating it. Hives is generally due to eating some food which to the average man

New Year's Time.

Dresher Cleaning Service, in-

telligently administered, will

help out a whole lot. Better

work NOW-leisurely-so as

to jump into when you make

that Holiday Trip.

The problem of pardons and paroles may not attract the personal interest of legislators as much as many other questions before them, but nevertheless it is important that they should equip the new board of pardons with a procedure fitted to insure justice, fair and equal.

#### Who Pays the Taxes?

Occasionally some tory. of the old school will say privately that no one but taxpayers ought to be allowed to vote, especially on questions of issuing public bonds. Occasionally, also, some incident arises to show that no one outside of charitable or penal institutions can be classed as exempt from taxation. The arrangement between some apartment house owners and their landlords by which rents rise or fall in accordance with the movement of taxes offers such proof.

It is probable that there are some men and women who believe they are practically free from taxation, but this belief gradually will be expunged if the custom of passing on or dividing the burden thus frankly is enlarged. When we buy a tube of tooth paste or a ticket to a theater, we understand that the government tax is paid by us, and there is also a growing realization that excess profits taxes and to a degree, income taxes, are also spread around. But the fact that in purchasing almost any article made abroad the price includes a fee to Uncle Sam, or that in paying rent we are helping meet the property owner's tax collector is not so generally considered.

If there are today any individuals or classes that believe the expenditures of the local, state and national government do not affect their pocketbook merely because they do not pay directly, it is time for them to wake up. Public economy should be a vital matter of interest to every citizen, and until it is regarded as such, no great curtailment of governmental extravagance can be hoped for.

#### Cutting Down Automobile Deaths.

More than 10 persons a day were killed in automobile accidents in the last year, according to the census report. There will be some like the old lady, who read the menu of a meal that could be served for 17 cents and marveled not that it was so large but that it was so little. Truly, when one sees the congestion of the streets in the heart of all great cities, the reckless driving on the more open roads, and the scurrying pedestrians who do not always exercise the greatest care at crossings, the marvel is to be found in the fool proof developments of the motor car.

And yet there is opportunity for reducing the fatalities of motoring. The traffic safety drive now being waged in Omaha is duplicated joyride and ask the farmers to pay for it.

canism. Mr. Burleson's manifest endeavor to escape culpability by putting the blame for the natural result of mismanagement onto somebody else, either congress or the organized employes of the Postoffice department, is too transparent. He showed himself long ago to be entirely out of step with the times, and should have been retired at the end of his first term. However, he has the distinction of being the only member of the first Wilson cabinet actually reappointed the propriey of the proposed clemency. The and confirmed by the senate, so that a portion Bee suggests, furthermore, that provisions be of the responsibility for his record lingers around the White House.

# Between Ireland and England.

Conditions that have developed in Ireland are a challenge to the government of England so direct that it can not be much longer evaded. That a city like Cork can be laid waste by fire and sword without exciting comment throughout the world is incredible. When an invading German army so conducted itself at Liege and Lovain, a blaze of indignation ran through America, and such surely will not cause wonder if it is now expressed at the destruction of Cork.

It is not enough to tell us that the disorder over there is the outgrowth of fanaticism; that may be understood. The entire Sinn Fein campaign, with that of the Orangemen on the other hand, has been characterized by such exhibitions of bigoted devotion to a single idea as seldom has been noted elsewhere in history. Nothing will be gained by debating the causes just now. The point is, how shall the situation be remedied and order restored?

England will not admit that a state of war exists, for that would be to give standing to the "Irish republic," which so insistently makes its claims that it deserves the recognition accorded to belligerents. Yet it does seem that the British government, even though its attention be distracted by other serious complications, should find some more effective means than have so far been employed to put down the disorder that has so disturbed Ireland. "Black and Tan" reprisals wear much the same hue as the reported outrages of the "murder bands," and the assassinations in Dublin are scarcely more reprehensible than the burning of Cork. The London Times weeks ago referred to the military forces in Ireland as being "perilously indisciplined," and events have justified the comment. It may be that the Sinn Fein opposition is losing ground, as has been stated by government authorities, but its last kicks are surely vigorous enough.

From whatever angle the affair is viewed, the conclusion is natural that the interests of humanity will be better served when the outlawry now rampant in Ireland is squelched. Friends of Ireland are as deeply concerned in this as friends of England.

The dolor of Albert Sidney Burleson's swan song will undoubtedly win whatever prize the administration hung up for such efforts.

Delaware's blue laws ought to offset as well as explain its reluctance to adopt woman's suffrage.

Too many auto wrecks again; drivers should look up the condition of brakes as well as chains

Mr. Townley is going to give Nebraska a

Hillis, and the Lincoln Fairway, and the Mam. have read that if pregnant women moth Hole, and Riverside Drives-but why regulate their diet to exclude food One always asks: "But why continue?" make the bones hard, much of the Continue? when one can't think of anything else. At least pain and we do. With ribald hootings mocks the watchdog's growl.) PHILIP Hale quotes a seasonable reminder

rom "Hudibras," which is full of s. r.'s: "All piety consists therein In them, in other men all sin, Rather than fall, they will defy That which they love most tenderly; Quarrel with minc'd-pies and disparage Their best and dearest friend, plumporridge."

THE gadder who craves a lyric on ham and eggs may not be entirely suited with the folowing, but at least a good start has been made.

Ham and Eggs.

All hall unto the hog and hen That save the lives of gadding men! For when there's nothing else to chew There's ham and eggs to see them through When waiters frown, the while we stare, Perusing, hopeful, bills of fare, Yet sink and sink into our seats, To find no signs of goodly eats, Until—ah, happy though!—we rise Like hungry fish to foxy files, "Some ham, with eggs, the latest laid." And, waiting, hum and hum again, 'All hall unto the hog and hen!' And when, at last, beneath our belt The combination warms our pelt, Hither and yon we gladly jog. Biessing the hen and eke the hog. ORA PRO NOBIS.

"BURGLARS robbed Dr. Phillips" house Monday night, but no loot was taken."-Elgin

News. Wonder where Doc keeps his loot? CHOP SUEY.

#### (From the Loz Onglazo Times.)

Young China is reading Thorstein Veblen systematically, judging by a substantial reorder covering practically all of Veb-len's books. We wonder what the patient Chinese mind will think when it strikes this Veblenian sentence appearing in latest book: "The Place of Science in Mod-ern Civilization." If we are getting restless, under the taxonomy of a monocotyle-donous wage doctrine and a cryptogamic theory of interest, with involute, loculicidal, tomentous and moniliform variants, what is the cyptoplasm, centrosome, or karyoprocess to which we may turn, and kinetic in which we may find surcease from the metaphysics of normality and controlling principles?

A POOL table for \$5.95 won't, according to the candid advertiser, last long. "The ideal Christmas gift," says S. M. H.

#### Ho! and a Couple of Hums!

Sir: Suppress a yawn while I inform you that "You get the girl, we'll do the rest," is the blunt statement of Hellrun and Grimm, furniture dealers of St. Louis. SIMA. "ESTHERVILLE Will Have a Milk Depot

and Huge New Dam."-Des Moines Register. Roll your own conclusion.

MODEL OF 1910?

(From the Des Moines Tribune.) If party who stole Cadillac car Satur-

day will return pictures and films taken from car he can keep car. Pictures are priceless and impossible to replace. Mail to Des Moines Photo Materials Co. DO you read about Clara Smith the first thing in the morning, or do you wait till you have shaved? B. L. T. have shaved?

#### Parental Forethought.

There are several varieties of wasps which, when they lay eggs, surround them with caterpillars in order that the young when they appear may be well supplied with food.-Indianapolis News,

### Carries Its Own Punishment.

The W. C. T. U. will now wage a war against home brew. If they knew how undrinkable the stuff was, they wouldn't waste their time knocking it .- Cleveland Plain Dealer.

# Boy, Page that Foolkiller!

The woman who screams "Fire!" the man who rocks the boat and the other who "totes" the unloaded gun are a deadly trinity .- Pittsburgh Dispatch.

pain and danger of childbirth would be eliminated. Is there any truth in this? If there is, what are the foods which contain this element? Would this have any evil effect on the formation of the effect on the formation of the child? No woman would want to give birth to a subnormal child, no matter how great the ease." REPLY.

Nothing to it. The bones are rich in lime. The great lime food ig milk. Vegetables also are lime foods. The pregnant woman who refrains from eating milk and vegetables is unwise.

Mucous Colitis Explained.

Mrs. M. writes: "What is mucous colitis, how does it affect the patient, and what is it cause? Is it a dangerous disease? REPLY. Mucous colltis is a chronic condi-tion of the colon, attended by the production of considerable quantities of a mucus which is less moist and more firm than ordinary mucus, and which ofttimes forms molds or casts of the tube in which it forms. The disease generally follows pro-longed constipation. It is attended by worries, introspection, neurasthenia, and by pain when the casts are coming away. It is a very un-pleasant but not a dangerous dis-

Depends on Your Taste.

ase.

Worried writes: "I would like to quit drinking coffee and want a sub-stitute. I have tried postum, but it does not agree with me. I do not ike cocoa or tea.' REPLY

If it is the oil and bitters in coffee which disagree with you take coca cola. If it is the caffien which is harming you, take coffee from which the caffien has been removed. There are such coffees on the market. If you want a hot drink containing no caffien and none of the coffee, oils or bitters, try the various cereal cof-fees until you find one that pleases Choice between them is a matter of taste. All are wholesome.

Give Her Less Fats. Mrs. B. R. G. writes: "What is indicated if a baby's urine has a strong odor of ammonia? She is 10 months old and apparently in the best of health and full of energy. old and apparently in the I try to feed her according to your advice to other mothers. When you



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# "Ghouls" of Business

Pessimism is sometimes practiced professionally. Certain little-minded, shortsighted men make their money by feeding on the carcasses of business they kill through slander and misrepresentation. There are also the poor unfortunate jackals who carry these falsehoods and get great pleasure in reciting the garbled details to others.

Stories are current, for instance, that farmers are not going to harvest their corn; also that the farmers are burning it; that the greedy banker is forcing legitimate business to the wall, and they are lies-all of them, and if we would stop to think, we would realize they are just as impossible as they are untrue.

The big, splendid banking interests of this country are being wonderfully sane and fair. They are and have been easing this country through the strain incident to this readjustment in a way that is a little short of miraculous. The business that ceases to exist as a result of present readjustment in prices, will no more be missed than the man sobering up after a prolonged debauch, will miss the visions of his drunken imagination.

The farmer has prospered, and will continue to prosper. Automobile-manufacturers, tire manufacturers, legitimate business of all kinds, will prosper, and will continue to prosper. If you do not believe that conditions are improving, read your newspaper and talk to your banker, and remember that worry kills -work is a life saver.

The next man you hear talking pessimism and hard times, interrupt him to inquire what particular business undertaker he is working for.

"Life is a mirror-Try smiling at it."

Micholas

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