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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,

NOT THE WAY TO PEACE.

One of the objectives put forth for the open shop movement is the elimination of undue pressure by organized labor upon the conduct of industry. A fine balance of justice between capital and labor would be established in which dictation from either side as to whether em- to give the people of every nation the right to ployes should be union or non-union would disappear together with the boycott and picketing. It comes as a shock, therefore, to find that Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel company and advocate of the open shop, has resorted to the same domineering practices of which he accuses organized labor.

In New York City a joint legislative committee has been investigating causes of the practical shutdown of building. In following the trail of unfair restraint of industry then began with the Brindell building trades unions, going thence to combinations of material dealers and contractors, and coming now to the question of structural steel. A building contractor who employed only union men charged that his business was being injured by the refusal of the Bethlehem company to sell him fabricated steel unless he ran an open shop. Mr. Grace, called to the stand, frankly stated that he believed it was proper "to protect the open shop principle," and declared his refusal to sell to contractors employing only union men would not be changed even if building operations in New York had to be shut down.

All that has been charged against the closed shop will now be laid also at the door of those advocating the open shop plan. If this is Mr. Grace's idea of protecting the open shop principle, it must be made plain that his view is not that of the whole group of employers who are back of the movement. If the boycott is bad when used by one side, it is equally wrong when used by the other. Under the plea of fair play, there is much that may be urged for the open shop principle, but to attempt to further the end by such un-American, domineering means as that adopted by Mr. Grace, in which the rights of the public to the uninterrupted process of building erection is menaced, is not the way to spread the idea of better industrial relations.

Need the Farm Land Bank.

The farmer got something more than pats on the back from M. L. Corey, general attorney of the Federal Land bank, speaking at the Nebraska Farmers' congress here. A definite program which included gradual liquidation of farm products, revival of the Allen Root plan for a system by which producers could store crops under bond and borrow enough money on warehouse receipts to meet their obligations, and the restoration of the land bank system were laid before the assemblage.

Convention after convention of agricultural organizations has been held in the last few months, but the lack of unanimity is the most striking feature. Mr. Corey's suggestion that part of each debt due the country banks be settled by selling a portion of the grain now, and other parts month by month may not be popular, since the conviction is rather general that speculators would take advantage of this assurance of continued movement to market and force prices lower.

The fact is well established that exports have been continuing at a good rate and that there is no big surplus of wheat in the world, or In America. Mr. Corey's assertion that the farmer is being called upon to bear more than his burden of the cost of deflation is also generally conceded. The National City bank declares that the principal condition necessary to a revival of prosperity is that the prices of what the farming population wants to buy come into balance with the prices of what it has to sell. This touches the point squarely.

More immediate aid seems possible through a revival of the activities of the Federal Land bank. This institution is now tied up by a suit in the Supreme court of the United States, in which a decision has been expected ever since last October. No way of accelerating the decision exists, but much relief undoubtedly could be provided if through a favorable opinion new sources of credit could be opened up to start the flow of money from farm to village, to city and back again.

Medicine in South America.

In South America, especially in the little known regions of Colombia and Brazil, exist untold opportunities for the young medical man of zeal and courage, says Dr. A. Hamilton Rice, scientist and explorer. It is not alone in the matter of tracing new diseases to their lair, but of spreading some knowledge of ordinary sanitation and even decency among the people down there. Speaking at the Harvard School of Medicine last week, Dr. Rice discussed conditions as he discovered them on a trip that included the upper basin of the Orinoco and the Amazon. Ignorance of ordinary requirements of cleanliness seems to be the thing that was most noticed among the natives. Even Bogota, a capital city with 100,000 inhabitants, lacks the rudiments of modern ideas in communal sanitation. In lesser communities, in the rural districts and along the rivers, the situation gets worse. To combat the diseases prevalent there and to give the people a notion of what is contained in right liv-

ing is a work to which American men of medicine should devote more attention, says Dr. Rice. The subject ought to attract some notice, for it appears to be as important to instruct these benighted ones in how to avoid some of the physical ills of this life as it is to enable them to escape the spiritual misfortunes that await the unwary in the next.

Visitors to Marion.

No one is able to suck knowledge out of his thumb, which is a way of saying that it is by experience and the exchange of experience that helpful information is to be obtained. Senator Harding, as a member of the foreign relations committee of the upper house of congress, learned much about world affairs, but he realizes that his knowledge is not complete, and can be supplemented by consultation with others, no matter what their party or how diverse their

That is the explanation of the succession of visitors day after day at Mr. Harding's home in Marion. The conferences deal particularly with the part America is to play in world peace. Outright opponents of the league of nations are followed by those who would ratify the covenant with reservations, and in their footsteps come men who were inclined to favor unqualified entrance into the league, and those who propose substitutes such as an international supreme court or an extension of the principle of arbitration. Hughes, Bryan, Root, Hoover and many other men of high rank in public life have been invited to contribute their opinion to the settlement of this problem. Colonel Harvey has emerged from the consultation chamber with an idea that the ultimate solution will be vote on war and let the rest of the unsettled questions, including the irritants that breed hostility, take care of themselves. No one else has committed himself after being called to Marion, and since the meetings continue, it is possible that Colonel Harvey is the only one to have settled the problem, and that Mr. Harding is not yet ready to make a definite proposal.

Nor will any specific plan have to be announced until he takes office. To consider the matter fully adjusted before it is laid before the people or the senate would be to repeat the mistake made by President Wilson. What suggestions may come from these nonpartisan councils cannot be considered more than tentative ones offered for the consideration of the public.

Mr. Harding's handling of this great issue is an innovation, contrasting strangely with the backdoor conferences and the secret conclaves with party lieutenants that have marked previous administrations. One of the pledges of the republican candidate in the campaign was that he would seek advice, and in the practical carrying out of this pledge is a promise of a successful administration, in which misunderstanding and unnecessary friction will be reduced to a mini-

Western Union and Uncle Sam.

An able and witty French statesman once remarked of the Bourbon family, "They learn nothing, and they forget nothing." This might apply to some of the operating heads of great industries in the Untied States; especially to the president of the Western Union Telegraph company in his opposition to the government. Mr. Carlton says his company will connect up its Barbadoes cable with a landing in Cuba and so reach the United States despite President Wilson or any other government authority or agent. His attitude is not one that will strongly appeal to the American people.

The action of the president and the secretaries of war and navy does not turn on the rivalry between the Western Union and its competitors. In that the public does have some concern. At present the Western Union declines to accept business to be transmitted overseas by wireless; through this method it perhaps hampers the operation of the Marconi companies to a considerable extent, but it is going over old ground. The Bell telephone people long ago traversed the course, and came out at the losing end. It was found necessary to pass laws and otherwise to proceed to require the Bell to handle business originating on rival lines, but actual physical connection was eventually compelled. In Omaha a few years ago when several street railway companies were competing a court ordered them to use the viaducts in common. In many other ways the public rights have been similarly protected, and it is not too much to expect that in good time the Western Union will be forced to do what all others have donehandle its share of the business in connection with competitors.

A greater issue is involved. Experience during the war showed that Great Britain had absolute contral of all facilities for transmitting intelligence or holding communication throughout the world. Through the order in council, emitted early in 1915, a constructive blockade was established, and not a letter, telegram or cablegram passed between neutrals not actually contiguous but proceeded by British consent. This is what the president has in mind; he wants to adjust matters so that in event of any great world crisis the United States will not be under the duress it had to endure from the spring of 1915 for two years until we entered the war as

The expedient Mr. Carlton proposes to adopt, that of landing one end of his company's Barbadoes cable in Cuba, may serve for the moment, but it may be accepted as certain that our government will not admit that act as a final defeat and the closing of the case.

May we not call to the attention of the conductor of the adjoining column that George Saltzgiver has assumed full charge of a local

|drug department? Franz von Rintelen, the German plotter, freed from United States prison, might ask Eugene Debs if he doesn't wish he had been born in

News from Washington indicates that though nothing is surer than death and taxes, taxes sometimes change their spots.

The mail bag thieves have set up a censorship that rivals that of Mr. Burleson.

Austria is now in the League of Nations, but it doesn't look the same.

The Burlington "melon" is another product of corn belt fields.

Cork is an awful spotch on England's record. Here's your hat, Mr. Maartens; on your way. | tune .- Detroit Tournal

A Line O'Type or Two

POSTSCRIPT. You oft compiain that I am cold; I pray you feed the flame. little more of love. Be bold Enough to share the blame. LAURA BLACKBURN.

ALL that Mr. Harding is considering is a plan "to perpetuate peace and to democratize the world." This is moderation itself compared with Mr. Wilson's ambition to make the world safe for democracy; but Mr. Harding may be obliged to serve two presidential terms;

ON PLAYING WITH NOTES. Sir: We do not fancy it at all. Every time the young man rises to turn a page we are distracted by wondering what he does for a living. It is as annoying as the man in the ready-made ulster who doesn't have it cut off to match his wife's skirt line. Or should we say sky-line? RUFIA. SO many years have passed since last we

went a-fishing, we have forgotten what flies are the most alluring to a salmon trout, CLASSICAL WHO'S WHO. Narcissus at himself would peep And could not tumble to The fact that beauty is skin deep

Till he had fallen through. DOCTORS disagree as to whether 70 degrees is the proper temperature for an apart-This will intrigue a friend of ours who, preferring 60 degrees himself, is obliged to maintain a temperature of almost 80 because of his mother-in-law.

IN WHICH THE COMPOSITOR GETS AT THE REAL STATE OF AFFAIRS. (From the Kansas City Star.) \$2.50 Suit of Pine Needle Veldyne,

trimmed with silk stitching; Beaver Collar and Pockets; \$98.75. TWENTY-NINE cars were stolen in Chi-

ago Sunday night, classified as follows: Ford. Marmon, 2; Hudson, 1; Buick, 5; Paige, 1; Studebaker, 2; Chevrolet, 1; Nash, 1; Cadillac, 1; Oakland, 1; electric, 2; Kissel, 1; Pan-American, 1; Packard, 1; Cole, 1; Yellow taxi, 1; unnamed, I. What may interest you is that one of the Fords was owned by A. F. Fender. Don't Worry.

Sir: Danger lies in the raising of a fund to preserve Keats' London home. Sure as shootin' this will be another excuse for that daring band Charles Dickens, to levy an additional tax on the misguided American readers of the great bore of literary big guns. This was not, however, the thought that impelled this communication. It was, rather, this: The papers announce that Caruso has burst a vein while striving to reach new tonal heights. I knew that young fellow would do something to make himself talked about. Whenever I bave heard him on a phonograph I have always been in fear he would break IT HAS BEEN DONE.

Sir: Broke friend wife's favorite, Victrola ord. Told her about it. She came back with, "Well, that's the only record you ever broke."

Do you think she was bawling me out or was she paying me a compliment?

E. P. P. she paying me a compliment?

A NEATLY typed communication begins: You did not buy, at the time of the recent orginal offering, any Class A shares of D. W. Griffith, Inc." We did not; and it is rather unkind of the broker thus to rub it in. "AFTER swinging for an hour, Sheriff Boyes

and the county coroner removed the bodies." United Press. Indictaing, to W. S., remarkable powers of

endurance on the part of the authorities. THEY MEAN MR. MENCKEN'S BOOK. Sir: Extract from letter, Department of Labor, Bureau of Naturalization: schools have classes for men and women who wish to learn how to speal: read and write the language of America. The government will give you free of cost a book to study from." What do they mean language of America? H. D. S. INDUSTRIAL note from the Bristol, Ind.,

"At present, the prison population (Michigan City) is considerably smaller than it has been in the past. There are only 160 men in the nistitution. From an industrial point of view, the prison could use from 200 to 400 more men to far. It is thought by many to be a advantage."

THE TOYMAKER. Ah, Michael Angelo of the quiet ways, You carve no horned Moses; by your art No mighty Davids from their marbles start; Nor popes nor potentates your prowess praise. Yours is the genius of the gentler days. From wooden blocks, lo! ships and sailors smart; From branches, cabins perfect in each part; The boy in you your handiwork betrays. And who would choose the art of long agd If by his magic he could wield the wand Stevensons possess, and Barries know, And the Pied Piper sounds to call his band? Who would not whittle toys if, doing so, He made the heart of childhood understand?

"WOMEN," says Dr. Ethel Smyth, of Lon-don (perhaps you know Ethel), "e-omen have undoubtedly invaluable work to do as composers." Quite so. And any time they are ready to begin we'll sit up and take notice. Bacchanal.

C. S. P. W.

(From the Madison, S. D., Sentinel.) A popular marriage is more than an incident. It is a proposition that interests close personal friends as well as the parties to the contract. Such proved to be the case in the matter of A. J. Kohler's stepping to the

altar to claim his bride. So interested were thirteen of his young men friends last night that they suggested a malted drink, all hands around, in honor of Mr. Kohler's new found happiness. Kohler knows insistency on sight and fell for the demand with gener-ous goblets from his well stock fountain. A SMALL WHEEZE (From the Tryon, N. C., News.) Born to Ellis Laughter and wife, a

TO half a hundred alert assistants: Many thanks for the quips about "burnt Cork." HERE IS A SAMPLE OF WHAT WE

HAVE SPARED YOU. Sir: What reprisal would fit the office boy's crime? He rushed in this morning with the dec laration that "Burnt Cork will give the British s black eye."

BUT perhaps the most atrocoius is P. V. F.'s observation that he is glad the British have finally decided to make up.

Don't Say He Didn't Warn You.

It looks like the laboring men of the country voted for a change. Well they will get it all right in the next four years and we hope they will be satisfied with it, but we doubt it. Anyhow, but we will see what we will see and the Enterprise will tell you about it and rub it in on you, and don't you forget it, either.—Elkins (W. V.) Enterprise.

Saving the Bride's Conscience.

The Congregational churches of England have dropped the word "obey" from the wedding ceremony. Not that they expect women to change their habits, but that they hate to have the brides lie about it .- Cleveland Plain Dealer.

All in a Day's Work. The English social system is so organized as to enable it to endure a crisis at almost any time without serious danger of impairment.-Washington Star.

We'll Take the Same. In respect to foreign diplomats in this country, the State department and the customs service appear to have reached a modus bibendi. —

Springfield Republican. The Only Time They're Served. Mrs. Coolidge's reputation as a pie-maker is going to result in a crowd at the vice president's reakfast table every morning.

Anyhow, the Face Value Is There. Time was when a woman's face was her fortune-now it is the paint manufacturer's for-

Questions concerning bygiene, sanita-tion and prevention of disease, sub-mitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bes, will be answered personally, sub-ject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is en-closed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters is care of The Bee. Copyright, 1920, by Dr. W. A. Evads.

CONQUERING LEPROSY.

Many are interested in the pro-gress of what has all the indica-tions of being a successful fight against leprosy, not because they against leprosy, not because they since the unfortunate happening have leprosy or expect to have it develop in any one in whom they are leprosy one in whom they are leprosy or expect to have it develop in any prominence. one in whom they are interested, but because it is a long time enemy of mankind, one with conquests and terrors, often recorded in sacred and profane history.

While Dr. McEwen has shown that much of the socalled leprosy

there is good reason for believing that there was genuine leprosy in that time and that it was more than the same that time and that it was more than the same that the sa vere than is the leprosy of today. their land. They did so by building ated children in such houses, 2.5.

Among unvaccinated the rate was more than 14 times that of the vaccinated Norway and holding them for life 2. There is a world of statistics Norway and holding them for life in these homes. By the time the world war had developed the number of lepers had decreased so greatly that only three of these institutions were used as leper colories and the others had been turned to the color of th

ouisiana leper colony Dr. I. Dyer had been curing leprosy or getting antitoxin reduces the mortality to results which seemed to be cures.

In spite of all this gain, the most promising demonstration is that which has been made by Dr. J. T. McDonald in Kalihi hospital, Honolulu. He has paroled 78 cases of leprosy since December, 1918. These cases are kept under observation theria. and there has been no suggestion of

relapse.

The Hawalian law provides that all persons proved to have leprosy must go to a leprosy colony and stay there. They go first to Kalihi hospital, which institution has 150 beds. If at the end of six months they are not cured or on the way to be cured they are transferred to the Molokai colony. The plan is working out so well that so far from hiding, patients now come to Kalihi voluntarily, waive all legal rights and ask for treatment.

The treatment used is hypodermic injections of a special preparation of chalmoogra oil to which some dine has been added. The oil and lodine also are given internally. The special preparation is not irritating to the tissues nor hard on the stomach as ordinary chalmoogra

The patients are paroled when evidence of the disease has disappeared. The patients have all the apparence of being well and there seems no likelihood of relapse or of any power to spread the disease. Dr. McDonald says leprosy cannot be successfully treated except in a hospital. The preparation of chal-moogra oil cannot be used by the patient himself or in any ordinary hospital or by any physician except those skilled in its use and who are in a position to control their patients. The affected Hawaiians ap-preciating this are voluntarily entering the hospital and taking the

Uses of Cod Liver Oil. E. S. G. writes: "Will you kindly advise me as to taking cod liver oil? I went to three doctors and each told me to take cod liver off. What effect has it?"

REPLY. Cod liver oil is an edible fat hava cure for rickets in children. The New York City health department once distributed cod liver oil to negro children, on account of the high rickets rate among them. one time cod liver oil was widely used as a remedy for consumption. It is not so used now.

Benefits of Vaccination. T. P. C. writes: "1. Are there any statistics to show the difference between people who have been vac cinated and those who have not in regards to smallpox?
"2. What are the statistics on deaths from diphtheria where antitoxin has been used and where it has not been used?"

REPLY. 1. Yes, there are many. One of the best is in the statements and figures in the vaccination creed of the Chicago health department, prepared by Dr. C. H. Spald-ing. The Public Health Service reports issued weekly give a comparison of the smallpox rate among the vaccinated and the unvaccinated in all parts of the Unted States. Pracunvaccinated. Newsholme's "Vital Statistics" devotes 22 pages to a discussion of the subject. Page after page is used to give figures proving the efficacy of vaccination. For instance, in Leicester, England, where some claim vaccination has not made good, the smallpox attack rate among unvaccinated children living

How to Keep Well The Bee's Letter

Equal Rights for All.

To the Editor of The Bee: reading The Bee of Wednesday morning I note the article to the effect that the fate of the Monarch hangs in the balance." Personally I do not think that it hangs in the balance at all. The public can easily guess what is to be done about the Monarch. It is to be closed. The thing that is going to keep it closed is the fact that it was "the black and white cabaret." This is the thing that has stuck in the craw of the newspapers and welfare board ever time trying to persuade certain "leaders" of the negro race to accept

I have never been to the cabaret have been there and they are decent, well behaved citizens. I read that Murphy, the cook, seeks a permit and that his attorney (white), after an hour and a half impassioned plea.

in homes where there was smallpox A few years ago the Norwegians was 35.3 per 100. Among vaccin undertook to control the leprosy in ated children in such houses, 2.5.

stitutions were used as leper colo-nies and the others had been turned ber of deaths." Rosenau (Preveninto tuberculosis hospitals.

For a number of years in the given in sufficient amounts during the first 24 hours of diphtheria. Boyd (Practical practically nil.' Preventive Medicine, 1920) says:
"The employment of diphtheria
antitoxin as a therapeutic agent effected a gross reduction of \$5 per cent in the mortality rate from diph-

> Probably Have Hernia. S. R. F. writes: "For two years or right groin, about two inches across, and half an inch or so high. Should I meddle with it? REPLY.

My guess is that you have a hernia. If so, it should be reduced by a truss. You do not have inconvenience enough from it to warrant an operation.

That's Some Help. Mrs. F. H. S. writes: "What are the causes of appendicitis? Can it be prevented by having from two to three bowel eliminations daily?" REPLY.

Of course appendicitis is caused by infection of the appendix with some one of the ordinary pus cocci) among the contributing causes are irritation from contraction of the psoas muscle, a large muscle of the back near which muscle the appendix lies. Constipation is sup-posed to be a contributing cause. Proper bowel habits may be of some service in preventing appendi-

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nor was he a colored man who combait in the hope of winning over the ica has no other place than that a members of the welfare board? abused a north side movie proprietor unrestrained. The trouble no because he allowed white and that it is too much restrained. colored to sit anywhere they wish in

"Jim Crow" playground for colored children. Now, I am perfectly aware that my ideas of 100 per cent American-

his show. Others are working over-

ism differ radically from those held by the welfare board, the local newspapers and a certain faction of the ommercial club. Yet, I know that am right, according to the fundamental principles of democracy. There can be no 100 per cent Amermitted suicide. Why, then, does this icanism that does not ignore color eloquent lawyer throw out this subtle discrimination. The negro in Amer-I know something of this welfare board?

I know something of this welfare board. There is only one member upon it whom I believe to be tolerably free from color periods. ably free from color prejudice and democracy," carries nothing repre-he is Rabbi Cohn. The others are a hensible, nothing criminal, nothing Only recently one of them wrong. Democracy needs to be more a north side movie proprietor unrestrained. The trouble now is Let the welfare board come clea

and say that it is opposed to the ideals of democracy. While the others, I shall at least respect to flavor of fearlessness.

GEORGE WELLS PARKED, Editor of The New Era.



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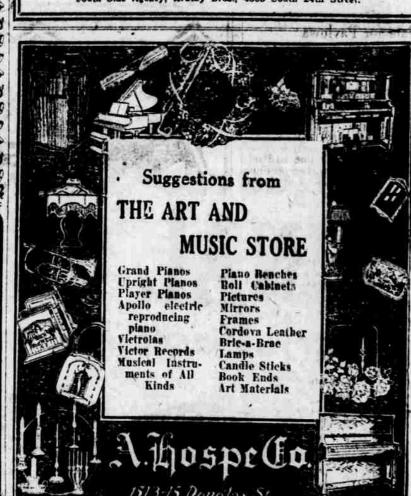
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