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- The Bee's Platform
1. New Union Passenger Station.
2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways...

AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.
The arrival of each new year finds hope rising anew from the ashes of the old.

With the turning of the year, a better, fairer spirit is to be desired. If there are wrongs, it will not do to cover them up—they must be remedied, conservatively and expertly.

These days perhaps are not different from those that have been known in other ages, but the opportunity lies in more intelligent settlement of their problems.

The farmer has had his difficulties, and business men have had theirs, nor will it be denied that working men and women also have had troubles of their own.

As he is preparing to shake the dust of the United States from his feet, Ludwig C. A. K. Martens utters a dire threat.

The secretary of the treasury a short time ago warned exporters that Russian gold would not be accepted at the treasury.

The stubbornness of the world in declining to adopt the bolshevik program may facilitate a settlement of the Russian problem.

Back on the Home Job.
A little more than a grain of comfort can be extracted from the news from Marion that Mr. Harding has laid aside foreign affairs...

by his party and his record to give attention to the domestic affairs of the United States ahead of any other; to interpret his ideas in terms of nationalism, friendly and desirous of assisting all others, but not on the basis of the all-enfolding internationalism, which would leave America as helpless as Europe.

Human Costs of Unemployment.
The announcement of the National Association of Manufacturers that its members are striving to avoid curtailment of operations that lead to unemployment can be accepted as generally true.

Unemployment means a lack of money, or in other words, a lessened buying power. It also results eventually in a shortage of goods which in due time calls everyone back to the mills and shops for a period of intensive labor which may have its disadvantages the same as idleness.

A weekly wage of bare efficiency is socially far superior to a higher average wage accompanied by great irregularity of work.

These are not inconsiderable words, nor do they assert anything that is not a matter of common knowledge. How idle it is, then, to pretend to see in the present depression any nefarious design, or anything except the workings of an imperfectly organized industrial life.

Davis Cup Is Coming Home.
Reference to the sporting page will remind dwellers in the north temperate zone that under the Southern Cross the weather is that of early summer.

William Tilden II and his partner, William M. Johnston, are not only expert racquet wielders, but they are young men who give promise of many years of usefulness at the sport.

Hysteria over the Japanese question appears to be dying down on both sides of the Pacific. Indications are that California will be willing to amend its land laws in such way as to debar all foreigners from owning land there.

In the matter of granting Japanese immigrants citizenship, there can be no open dispute. Nations naturally can not put themselves in the position of insisting that their citizens be enabled to swear away their allegiance.

D'Annunzio, who has concluded that Italy is not worth dying for, can not be numbered among the subscribers to the "my country right or wrong" theory.

And Champ Clark is leaving congress before annexing Canada.
Well how do you like 1921 so far?

A Line O' Type or Two

STYLATES AND THE SABBATH.
Simeon Stylates, on your shaft of granite, Through thirty winters patient in your pain—

Where thro' the storm the lamplight faintly flickers, On Sabbath nights we stand amid the snows Before the guarded portal of McKicker's

These are the hallowed griefs that test and try us— That sift the spurious metal from the gold. We are not happy, Simeon—merely pious.

Wiesbaden, Dec. 6.—The American Delegate on the Reparations Commission at Wiesbaden gave a Thanksgiving Dinner at his home to a party of ten or twelve Americans.

SMALL TOWN OUTRAGE.
Baileyville.—Last Monday morning people were surprised when learning that our otherwise so quiet hamlet was visited by burglars.

WE could wish that the French bacteriologist had discovered his remedy for tuberculosis in some insect, rather than the butterfly.

HER ATTRACTIVENESS, perchance, is also essential but not necessary. "FAMOUS Panty Case Had Its Thrills in Recital of the Tribulations of an Unhappy Pair."

Two women in particular were walking along Monroe street in front of the Gaiety theater when one of them suddenly uttered a cry of exclamation.

There is an unenvied society of spirits, like that of the morning mist, singly together, or of all the larks at once in the sky; it is a happy accident of freedom and a conspiracy of solitude.

Sir: I think your item about the saleslady who made "lingerie" synonymous with "rest room" is a variant of a Fort Sheridan incident of some twenty years ago.

Turn Day to Knight.
The marriage of August Knight to June Day might be called an event of the season.

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS
Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitations, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed.

AMERICA'S BEST HEALTH YEAR.
We have a right to congratulate ourselves this New Year's morning on our continued good health.

The weekly statement issued by the census office and covering sixty cities in which live over 26,000,000 people, indicate that the rate for 1920 will be lower than that of 1919.

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The Bee's Letter Box

That Right-of-Way Case.
Silver Creek, Neb., Dec. 28.—To the Editor of The Bee: In order to protect itself against the operation of the statute of limitations as to adverse possession as provided for in the Morris act of 1912, the Union Pacific Railroad company in 1915 began actions of ejectment against farmers all along their right-of-way on even-numbered sections who would not lease from the company right-of-way lands occupied by them.

The farmers thus attacked decided to fight and later realizing that no one alone could fight his case to the supreme court of the United States, through their attorney asked the railroad company to agree on a test case which might stand for all, so that all together might bear the burden of making a proper defense.

Later on—the supreme court having denied a rehearing—Mr. C. C. Flansburg of Lincoln was invited into the case for the purpose of assisting in preparing it for appeal to the supreme court of the United States, which was done and the necessary papers and documents were forwarded to Washington about a week ago, receipt of which has been acknowledged.

In the Nebraska State Journal of December 14, there appeared a statement regarding this case then in preparation, which has been reproduced or commented upon in different papers throughout the state. The writer of the article was quite correct in the main, although inaccurate or misleading as to certain minor particulars.

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