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The Bee's Platform

1. New Union Passenger Station.

- 2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways, including the pave-ment 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.

SELF-IMPOSED THRIFT.

About this time six years ago America began to feel the effects of "war prosperity." Employment was plentiful, wages began to mount, and an era of "silk shirt" living commenced. Money came casy, and it went casy, but business was good and a new job awaited the worker long before he was through with the old, and such an expanse of good times never was known as Americans enjoyed. When the pinch of war hit our own land, it did not bring a reduction in pay, but did send the cost of living shooting up so fast it made folks dizzy to watch it. Only salaried people and those of fixed incomes were adversely affected, and some of these found considerable difficulty in stretching their dollars to bridge the gap between income and outgo. After the armistice, swept on by a wave of pseudo-prosperity, living costs went to heights undreamed of, an orgy of spending encouraging a scale of prices that looks fantastic when compared with the days left behind in 1914.

But with the war came something else. Demands of patriotism brought something of a conception of thrift; when 21.000,000 people buy \$18,000,000 of government bonds, and another group buys almost \$1,500,000,000 of war savings stamps, the conclusion is warranted that all the "easy" money did not go for sheer extravagance. Proof to the contrary is available. The latest report shows that almost a billion of the war savings stamps issue is still in the hands of the original purchasers, and these represent the lesser investors in government securities. How much of the larger issues of bonds remain in possession of the buyers no one can say; it is known that many of the purchasers of the \$50 and \$100 denominations have disposed of them at the prevailing discount and spent the money, yet there is also reason for thinking that a far greater number of the buyers in small lots still hold their little bonds and that the money represent by them may be considered as belonging to the net savings of the people. The impulse did not end there. Savings and Ioan societies, savings banks, insurance companies, and all similar institutions report great increases in the totals of their business, all of which represent savings. The impulse to accumulate has received a further impetus since the readjustment commenced early last summer, and with the rising value of money thrift is taking on a new aspect. The riot of spending is over. It is well to distinguish between thrift and parsimony. Business will be disturbed through too little spending quite as seriously as it was upset by the destruction of its standards which came with the buying wave of war times. Prudence should regulate this, and a just balance be established between needs and means, in order that no serious derangement will come in the wake of the wave of self-imposed thrift that moves the country's producers today.

for the year 1920 a profit of 203 per cent on its paid-up capital; its earnings in 1919 were 137 per cent. For last year it will pay to the government \$39,000,000 as a corporation tax. The Minneapolis federal reserve bank reports earnings for 1920 of more than 100 per cent. These figures support the belief that the banks have been very busy, also that they have operated on a conservative basis, and further that some concession might be made to borrowers without putting in danger the future of the institutions. We wonder what John Skelton Williams will say when he reads these reports. You remember how he tore into the western banks a few years ago because

they were exacting. Sounds Good, But Will They?

of the high interest rates and inordinate profits

Grave and reverend senators of the United States, debating the projected celebration of the passing of Wilson and coming of Harding-and that should be fittingly celebrated-talk about curbing the gougers resident in the District of Columbia who prey on the sojourner. Nowhere in the world is the gentle art of skinning the visitor practiced more defily or assiduously than in Washington these days. It began about the time the war started, when the nation's capital, was the Mecca of all the people, and when its capacity for caring for visitors was sorely taxed and overtaxed. Whether it was the humblest of self-serve places or the most exclusive of the aristocratic hostelries, the spirit was the same, and the effect, too. Nowhere did the Hoover slogan take quicker hold or deeper root than in Washington, D. C. Prices were doubled and portions halved as a contribution to saving food towards winning the war. In fact, the eating places of Washington probably contributed in this way more than any other in the country, not excepting New York. The senate now warns them that the war is over; that visitors are not invited to come thither on or about March 4 merely to make a holiday for a lot of innkeepers and lunch-stand pirates, and that dire and memorable penalties will be visited on those who deliberately hold up the nation's guests. All of which is reminiscent of the talk heard in 1918, when the landlord scandal at Washington exceeded that of any other city before or since.. Congress did nothing then but talk, and probably will let it go at that now.

Significant of American Spirit.

One little incident in connection with the adventure of the naval balloonists deserves greater weight than has so far been given it. The first detailed report of their landing in the Hudson Bay woods said the first thing that happened after the adventurers had extricated themselves from the balloon and were safely on the ground, Lieutenant Hinton returned "gracious thanks" for their preservation. No act could have become them more. At home the wives of Lieutenants Hinton and Farrell had nightly prayed for their safety, and during the weary days when experts had convinced themselves the balloon and its voyagers were forever gone, these women never wavered in their faith, but voiced their trust in humble prayer. Storm-tossed and beaten by ice and snow, the men themselves kept heart, and gallantly battled out their dreadful experience, and then when safely escaped from the perils of the air, even though lost in a frozen wilderness, they expressed to God acknowledgeent of His mercy and care. Here is the tru American spirit: Firm reliance on divine providence, with pluck to persevere and overcome difficulty and danger alike. Scoffers may smile at the act, and the fool who has said in his heart there is no God may account for the issue of the event in his own way, but the mass of our people, devout and honest in their belief, will find in the incident additional strength for the faith that is in them. Verily, "righteousness exalteth a nation."

A Line O'Type or Two How to the Line, let the quips fall where they may.

ABE LINCOLN was finally persuaded to get a new hat for his inauguration and Hon. Cal Coolidge has consented to buy him a new madeup tie for the big day.

A PEDOMETER test shows that a house wife walks two miles while preparing three meals. But father walks twice as far doing a round of golf, and doesn't make any fuss about it.

Never, My Dear.

Sir: Following your example, I immediately began "Mansfield Park. Hereafter I shall pre-sent copies to all elderly persons who look down their noses and say (as William Lyon Phelps does in his remarks on Marshall, that too much modern fiction is concerned with unpleasant characters whom one would not care to have as friends! Honestly, did you ever read of more greed, snobbishness, petty ambition, false modesty, laziness, caste-worship, neuroticism and self-delusion, between two covers?

FRITILLARIA. WAS there ever a character more delightful-detestable than Mrs. Norris? Was there ever another character presented, so alive and breath-ing, in so few strokes? Jane Austen had no need of psychoanalysis.

BARGAIN MONDAY-HAVE YOUR LEG SAWED OFF.

(From the Lawrenceville Republican.)

If I wish to as the merchants are doing work at a special discount on certain days -it's only my own business and no one's else, unless you wish to profit by it. Dr. Lambert.

HOW often have we journeyed on the map to James Bay, computing the number of days it would take us to cover that long stretch of wilderness. But it's no trip at all in a balloon. AFFIDAVITS FURNISHED IF DESIRED.

Sir: One bottle of Gordon plus one of French and one Italian for a demonstration of "one foot on the bow of a cance and the other on a log, chopping through a barrier in the grean "C. D. C.

WE'VE watched it done more than once The log, we may add, was not floating, but was one of the barrier; but if you or we attempted the feat we should be overboard in short order. And have you ever seen an Indian, with a sixtypound canoe for bonnet, leaping, gazelle-like from boulder to boulder over a rough portage!

THE FORSAKEN FEAST.

Along the lanes of Alstead I hear the robin's call, And there, like snow, the blossoms Of pear and cherry fall; And there is heard the music Of brooks that hasten by, And there the bee is busy-And there, in thought, am I.

Alas! no lane of Alstead Shall see my face again, For he who worshiped beauty Has gone to strive with men Has gone to dwell in cities And reap the city's wheat,

The gold that buys delusion And bitter bread to eat. The feast remains forsaken-

The bloksom on the bough, The robin's merry whistle, The boy behind his plow, The brook with all its music, The humming of the bee, Are only dreams of Eder Whose gates are barred to me LAURA BLACKBURN.

"WHAT," inquired the P! R., with a suspicion of asperity, "does this Ballymooney party mean by saying that we played hob with his Latin?" "Probably nothing at all," said we "however, let's have a look at his copy." So the P. R. dug it up. "Much ado about nothing," "He wrote 'clamavi' and you let it we. ride 'clamari.' The feller ought to buy a typewriter, he's so fussy."

A GOOD HOME IS RATHER TO BE CHOSEN

How to Keep Well

Questions concerning hygiens, 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 letters in care of The Bee. Copyright, 1920. by Dr. W. A. Evans.

THE IRONY OF IRON TONICS. | effect in the forms of anemia Whipple, Hooper and Robsceit were working with. There are many kinds of anemia, some of which, quoting a famous

Paralysis and Apoplexy. medical teacher of fifty years ago, A. W. B. writes: "What are the "tend to get well, others tend to die, causes of paralysis and apoplexy? "What is the distinction between whilst still others go on to the chronic form of the disorder."

There is only one medicine taking habit which is more widespread than the two? "Are these diseases ever permanently cured? the take-a-little-tonic-habit and that "What treatment has been found is the laxative pill habit. "I am a litbeneficial : tle run down. I think L will take a little iron," or "I am a little pale," "Does the patient always get

second attack? or "my color is a little bad. I expect "Has the severity of the first stroke any bearing on the prob-ability of a recurrence?" I need a little iron." These are commonly heard statements. It took a lot of campaigning to get

rid of the stomach-tonic-taking cus-REPLY. tom. At that I am inclined to think The paralysis which is limited to the exposures of the large amount of one arm, one leg, one side of the face, or all combined is generally alcohol contained in the old-time stomach tonics was the largest facthe result of apoplexy. Apoplexy results from a break in one of the tor in the reform. How much agita-tion will be required to overcome the custom of taking iron tonics? blood vessels of the brain or a clot

forming in such a vessel or one car-When a person is anemic the first ried to such a vessel. Both parajuestion which should be asked is: lysis and apoplexy are loosely used words referring to this one-sided What is the cause? If the cause is staying too much indoors, the paralysis caused as noted. In the proper remedy is more sunlight, proper sense apoplexy is not cured. However, the paralyzed member sometimes gets strong 'enough more skating, rowing, swimming, walking, would do away with much

of the use of iron tonics. If the cause in constipation the remedy is to the cause is periodic hemor-rhages the remedy is to relieve that. If the cause is hookworm the serviceable. The blood vessel which

remedy is to get rid of the worm. was diseased enough to break in the If malaria, cure the disease. If the first place is quite apt to break anemia is of a kind which iron will again. The nature of the first atnot help there is no use taking that tack gives no indication of the severity of later attacks. Among

Let us say that, finally, the proof hows the trouble to be a single sec-endary anemia. Whipple, Hoover, y of good food is the very best form shows the trouble to be a single sec-ondary anemia. Whipple, Hoover, ty of good food is the very best form and Robscheit have shown that plen-Several Varieties of Hiccoughs. of iron which can be taken. At the Mrs. W. M. H. writes: "I have had very head of their list stood liver. Lean beef was a close second and

two or three spells of hiccoughs every day for a year or more. How heart third. These meats were eten can I get rid of it? What causes it? I am 52 years old." Is there anything to be gained by drinking blood or eating dried blood? This they answer in the negative. Hiccoughing results from a spas-modic contraction of the breath-How about beef tea and meat extracts? Without beneficial effects. Bread and milk, cracker meal, rice, potatoes and milk? All fairly ing muscles. Among the causes are Esophagus and some conditions of stomach trouble, trouble good if given in sufficient quantities. esophagues and some conditions of the nerves. There are scores of succes

Milk is not an iron food and children feed too much on it to get anemia. but it contains a moderate amount if iron and, taken with enough bread, rice, or potatoes, it builds up the blood. A sugar diet was worse than fasting.

cases benzyl benzoate is given. Some persisting cases call for investigation ing. Iron tonics of the inorganic because of conditions iron type were without beneficial cough is a symptom. because of conditions of which hic-

he Bee's Letter B

Restitution as Punishment. voters did, believing that we would Omaha, Jan. 3 .- To the Editor of "let the people rule," but develop-The Bee: The present discussion of ments showed, (and are still showthe suppression of crime together ing a regular seven-ring circus at with the proposal that the indetermi-times in the council chamber) that with the proposal that the indepermi-nate sentence law be repealed is most timely in the light of conditions not thing at all about "ruling;" in fact only in Omaha but throughout the no more or no less than the seven United States. All of the leading "learned and wise" city fathers. newspapers and many of the officers There, "let the people rule," of the law and students of criminology and social conditions are ex-pressing themselves on the subject in Suggest that R. M. H. gather a little various ways and many are the sug-gestions offered. The discussions may lead to suppression of crime. data, etc., on the city manager

plan, and then probably his next article will repudiate his recent ANONYMOUS. epistle.

Wasting Lights at Court House Omaha, Jan. 6 .- To the Editor of The Bee: It might be worth while

save" court house on some bright sun waste rooms and corridors in the tion to pure white. south and west side of that much-

county's welfare.

Puppet,

THE SPICE OF LIFE.

"Tm a little stiff from lacrospe." "Oh, Wisconsin?"-Lampoon ' Walker-"Have an accident?" Rider-"No, thanks, just had one."-

Efficiency Expert-"I am very grati-

Quick Action.

ion of \$60,000,000 for several yours, I was there today at high noon the world is gradually increasing the when the sunlight simply dazzled by its brilliance, and counted somenumber of diamonds that are mined

Russian railway stations are usually about two miles from the town they serve—this as a precaution against fire caused by sparks from

good kick-properly placed, in ex-change for service of this kind. change for service of this kind. And while no fair-minded citizen ment station into a pomicultural station as a practice would expect you to take up through dents and a model for farmers. the columns of your newspaper the

report of every petty complaint that might be registered within a muni-cipality, a little warning to the re-vas tank which, when filled with publican official now coming into water, settles down on the ensilage ffice, along the lines indicated, and forms an alr-tight seal.





The Genesee Pure Food Company,

Le Roy, N.Y.

MUCH IN LITTLE.

The sale of liquors and light wines is now prohibited in Sebastopol. ac-cording to a recent issue of the Latest News.

in these days of frenzied efforts to Tubing and molding of several, "reduce, deflate, and economize and forms are made from flat strips of Tubing and molding of several the country's, state's, city's metal at high speed with a machine money to call at the Douglas county invented in Ohio. Australia seems to have an inexhipy day and count the number of haustible supply of marble that electric lights that blaze away in the found there in many colors in audi-

W. E. S.

With an average annual produc-

each year. thing over 50 lamps blazing away all for nothing, in a desperate attempt to keep peace with the sun.

Whoever the individual is who is charged with the care of the buildthe locomotives. ing-he ought to be rewarded with a The Brazilian government will transform an agricultural experi-

school for stu-To pack the contents of a filled

might serve a good purpose, and at the same time work toward the The Sixteenth precinct of the

Tenth ward of Kansas City, Mo., claims the honor of having the most efficient republican organization. The precinct registered 2,958 and every one voted G. O. P.

Optimism and the Immediate Future.

An interesting note is sounded by Sir Robert S. Horne, president of the British Board of Trade, who "urges adoption of a spirit of call culated constructive optimism to meet the world's existing commercial and financial depression." He contends that the stupid, fatalistic acceptance of the fact that things are black are keeping them black. We agree with him, but insist his discovery is not original. Many other observers had noted the condition and had expressed the hope that the remedy would be applied in the same way. However, Sir Robert goes a bit further. He suggests that the United States wipe out the debt owed by England, and that in turn England wipe out the debt owed it by other nations on account of the war. We doubt if this will be well received. Several times in the last two years both England and France have specifically and officially declared against remission of any part of the debt they owe the United States. That may be passed Sir Robert's state-ment that Germany is dumping steel into England at prices below British cost of production is far more interesting than his comment on the public debt. It bears out what has been said many times, that despite political upheavals and diplomatic maneuverings, the Germans are actively at work. They may be a long time recovering the place in the world's trade lost through the war, but they are not wasting valuable time. Such industries as they can revive are going at top speed. When the same can be said of other of the central European nations, a considerable step towards restoration will have been taken.

Federal Reserve Bank Profits.

A proposal that has been discussed with Mr. Harding looks to the establishing of a central federal bank, with the existing regional reserve banks as branches. The purpose, naturally, is to provide closer control as well as better coordination of the operations of these banks, through which the credit of the country is converted into money by means of notes issued against assets, which finally are discounted notes. An interesting side-light on this debate is afforded by the fact that the federal reserve banking system as at present operated has far overrun its original design. Not intended as a profit-making institution, but planned merely to afford a reliable safeguard against money panics, it has come to show a tremendous earning capacity. The New York regional bank reports | to go around .- Knoxville Sentinel.

American Citizenship Comes Higher.

One of the lessons taught by the war was the value of American citizenship. It was eagerly sought by some who had neglected the boon in days of softness, and found too lafe that they could not secure it. To others it was denied because of their unworthiness. Even now the courts are winnowing out the applicants for the honor as never before, and the discrimination exercised is adding to the luster of the great possession. Women as well as men are coming in for critical consideration, now that no distinction of sex is drawn in the franchise, which is the crown of citizenship. Heretofore alien women became Citizens when their husbands did, or when they married a citizen; if a proposed law goes through, and it should, these women will be given the right to-vote only when they have proceeded aiter the manner and form prescribed for foreign-born males. Native-born citizen women who expatriate themselves by wedding with aliens will be required to repatriate as if they were alien-born. Children will no longer follow the condition of their parents and achieve citizenship by the act of thier father, but must take out papers for themselves. These radical modifications of the law may strike some as putting hardship on aliens, but the careful thinker will realize the justice of the plan. Men are prone to value a thing for what it costs them, and this is why some held American citizenship so lightly-it was too easily attained. Privileges accorded under no other government go with the condition, that of sovereignty being one, and these are not to be achieved without some payment of devotion and service hereafter.

While the British jingoes cry out m warning to John Bull that his navy is smaller than Uncle Sam's, our own are claiming that the American novy is smaller than Britain's, and the question will never be settled to their mutual satisfaction until an actual test is made.

John Spargo and Henry Arthur Jones have told what they think of H. G. Wells, and Mr. Wells has told what he thinks of them. This may account for the open winter.

Archaeology would become very popular if

every digger could be assured of finding a gallon jug of 50-year-old essence of joy.

Governor Miller has made a hit with the taxpayers of New York by cutting off a lot of political jobs. Good example.

If the suggestion to observe the first anniversary of prohibition is adopted, a lot of people will hang out crepe.

Figures as to the size of the British navy are like the estimates of the wheat crop, subject to variation.

Lentin Days. These are Lenten days for the faithful. Even the congressional seed is said to be insufficient

THAN GREAT RICHES (From the Lima, O., News.)

A widow lady desires position as house-keeper in a well to do widower's home. A good home more desired than wages. Address C. H. B.

THE Fair must have an extensive correspondence. A letter addressed "Blanche Bates, Famous Mrs. Fair Co., Chicago, Ill., was stamped by the P. O.: "Not the Fair, State and Adams."

Companion Volume to Who's Brew.

Sir: As a lover of the true democracy you doubtless enjoyed the inspired words of the bal-loonists' Xenophon: "Upon reaching terra firma the first utterance of Lieutenant Hinton to the aged Indian trapper was: "To the Al-mighty we extend our most gracious thanks for our existence." The dog also came in for his share of praise." punishment under the English common law was restitution Let the thief restore that which he has stolen. Let the murderer sup-

But what I really started to ask you was: May I not lend you, for a few days, my latest copy of Who's Hootch in Milwaukee? D'ARTAGNAN.

"AND even in the wee sma' hours . . ."-

The Trib. "Why," whys Stanwood, "do they all quote paroled or pardoned then will the it 'wee sma' hours'?" We unhesitatingly pass. They always do and they probably always will

TRACE.

Sir: Is there, or isn't there, a bit of the jocular in this advice which Mrs. Bess Streeter Aldrich, a lady author of Elmwood, Neb., gives to prospective writers ?--

The convict can be employed upon roads or other public work until he Have four children and love them all. Cook has made restitution to his victim and after he has made restitution he will be in a healthier state of mind for the work of reformation, With such a law on the statute

plan.

to prison.

your heart open. Really live and love life. Make yourself feel sympathetic for everyone around you." "U. S. to Probe Smuggling In of Cork Maybooks the professional criminal will fight shy of the state of Nebraska, which is really one of the principal things to be desired. H. H. CLAIBORNE. or."-Headline.

A corkscrew for this case.

LOVE UNREQUITED. Like knights of old on chargers gay. The fleet clouds woo the pallid moon. Importunate, they throng her way;

She, heeding not, is gone-too soon. Their plair tive sighs are breezes light, Which faintly rustle leaves and grass And grieving, wander through the night: The flowers shiver as they pass. IRIS.

"WOMEN'S costumes to-day are the most sane in history, and moving in the right direc-tion."-Ernest Thempson Seton, Naturalist. An advanced naturalist.

THE SECOND POST.

(Received by a Denver paper company.) (Received by a Denver paper company.) Gentlemen: I want to know watt is the mether with wour Paper-Mill the ort to sent me sum paper by this time. You send me 6 thousent 15x18 self-seeling Bread-rappers rith now; be-for you lay this letter dowen. I cant sett here with-out paper an you Fellowes in Denven smoken the Best of Cigars; so let me heare from you watt the best way to dou, to buy the Paper-mill rith now, or a litted lather buy the Paper-mill rith now, or a littel lather yours truly

> TAKE KEER O' YOURSELF. (From the Olney Mail.)

Wishing all my friends and customers a Happy New Year. I also wish to announce that I will for the next 2 weeks be confined to the Oiney Sanitarium where I will under-go an operation. Respectfully, E. Pech. "THIS sale," advertises a candid clothier, "lasts only so long as the goods last, and that won't be very long

Old Enough. Sir: I asked my dinner partner what scene had been taken out of the Follies this season, and he replied "The obscene." Is this old stuff? Just want to check him up. M. D.

EVERYBODY CAME IN A FORD. (From the Milwaukee Sentinel.)

Miss Evelyn Shallow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Shallow, and Raymond Bridger, both of Little River, were married recently at Oconto. ADD light occupations: To be lord-mayor

of Cork. B. L. T.

Our Chief Ailment. A harge proportion of our trouble is caused by too much, bone in the head and not enough in the back .- Columbia (S. C.) Record.

Japan and California, Eh! Some nations should not only adopt disarmament, but silencers for their jingoes .- Indianapolis Star.

but the logical and just punishment of criminals is the real solution of the problem. the problem. Restitution should lie at the bottom

of all attempts to punish crime and o reform criminals. Restitution is the key-note of Christian reformation. It is at the

port the family he has made father

less. Let the man guilty of mayhem

pay the damage he has worked upon

his victim. When our laws require

these things before the criminal be

young men and boys be more in-

clined to turn from ways which lead

There is nothing in the constitu-

tion of Nebraska which will prevent

the enactment of a law by the pres-

ent legislature covering this matter.

"Let the People Rule."

Omaha, Jan. 7.—To the Editor of The Bee: The Bee's Letter Box this evening contains an article by Roy M. Harrop, written January 1, when

he enjoyed a full holiday no doubt, and had lots of time to write his

tirade against the city manage

Also appearing in The Bee this

evening in an item of news from Alliance, Neb., captioned "City Man-ager Plan Adopted at Election in Alfance," which carried by a ma-jority of 52 votes out of a total of

698 cast at the special election.

Am wondering if the 375 voters

in Alliance who sanctioned the city

manager plan relish being termed "un-American" as the last paragraph

of Mr. Harrop's letter, by inference, so terms them, and also all others

who favor the city manager plan of

Considering the incessant wran-gling, turmoil and almost fist fights

at nearly all gatherings of our pres-

ent governing (?) and salary-drawing

commissioners, it would seem that

most same persons would welcome the chance to effect any kind of a

change in the manner of running

This "Let the people rule" slogan which Mr. Harrop has inserted in his New Year's effusion is very similar to our present council—"a big joke." I voted for six of our

present commissioners (may the Lord forgive me, as the majority of

governing towns and cities?

our city affairs.

root of the law of Moses. Only in comparatively recent years has pul-ing sentimentality combined with the This Winter From the dea of the paramount interest of the sovereign destroyed the idea of restitution as the principal element of the punishment of crime under UPDIKE LUMBER the laws of the Anglo-Saxon and their ancestors. The foundation of

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