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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 Mais 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.

BATTLE FOR THE AIR MAIL. When Martin B. Madden of Illinois presented his report on the air mail service it was noticed that the appropriation for the continhance of that innovation would be subject to attack if not to extinction. This notice has received formal consummation by the interposition of a point of order against the item in the bill. The fact that the point was made by Tincher of Kansas, who was associated with Steenerson of Minnesota in opposition to the service when the last appropriation was made, does not call for much consideration. Kansas City and Minneapolis have been provided for and therefore the objection is no longer merely sectional.

Mr. Madden objects that the air mail has not justified its continuance; it is too expensive, he insists, and does not effect a saving in time. One of his statements is that it costs \$5 per ton mile to move mail by air as against n few cents by train. We do not know the source of Mr. Madden's information, but if he is correct, then it costs nearly \$500 for each single flight between Omaha and Chicago, which does seem steep. On such a basis the air mail service can not be justified. But the department figures given out in anticipation of the establishment of the service were far below that quoted by Mr. Madden. This is matter for determination, however.

As to the allegation that better time is made by the railroads, an answer to that exists in the statement that on the present daylight flying schedule thirty-six hours' time is saved bebest record of the fastest trains. Between Omaha and Chicago the flyers traverse the distance in less than four hours, or in one-third the time required for the train. Letters posted in Chicago many hours after the departure of the fast mail trains are delivered in Omaha Men brought by air as soon as those sent by rail, or are sent on to their destination with a gain of twenty-four hours or one full day in

prospect of delivery. Mr. Jefferis made an able defense of the air mail from the point of its service to business, which is the final test. Unless the postoffice can keep its functions steadily in line with the increasing demands and actual requirements of the people, it is falling behind. The objections now being brought out against the air mail were once used in argument against rural free delivery, the postal savings bank, and the parcels post. All of these survived and have made good, and The Bee is inclined to the opinion that the air mail will remain as a feature of our great postal system.

A City and a Court.

The exhibition given at Detroit on Sunday is one that will sadden orderly people. When a municipality engages in anarchy it may escape the immediate penalty, but it will surely be punished indirectly. When the authorities deliberately set themselves up in defiance to the order of a court, they are striking a blow at the fundamentals of our government. The merits of the issue between the city and the traction company do not enter into this consideration. No matter which side was in the right, and we may even admit for argument's sake that the city was right, the adjournment of proceedings until the matter had been fully presented in court would have done little harm. The traction company is a citizen of Detroit, and the community has no lawful right to discriminate between its citizens, so long as they are within the law. Granting, as will very likely be alleged and perhaps established, that the company was frivolously undertaking to block the construction of a municipal tramway, the only correct course for the city was to meet the company in court, there demolish its opposition, and go ahead supported by decency and order. To interpose the full strength of its police force in the business of ignoring a court and proceeding by might rather than by right, Detroit has given an exhibition of kaiserism that is far from being inspiring. The city need not be surprised if its example finds imitators, and that some day groups of its citizens may feel equally authorized to defy the courts and do as they please.

Culture and the Simple Life.

Considerable circulation is being given some observations of Walt Mason, regarding the value of education, stressing his view that the man in the humbler way of living is not especially benefited by a course in college or university. If this were pursued to its logical end, the conclusion would be justified that all popular education is a failure, and that the path to the Pierian spring should be closed to hoi polloi. Candidly, we prefer to think that Mr. Mason is spoofing his readers. It is true that a man without education can feed pigs, or do any one of a number of things that are necessary to be done; but it is equally true that the educated man can feed the pigs and do other things, and also accomplish much the illiterate may never aspire to.

Possession of polite education does not guarantee any against the necessity of working for a living. As a matter of fact, most of its posessors work the harder because they have been educated. Drudgery is not inviting to any, but it is hopeless only to him who sees in it but an

endless round of slavish, menial toil. To the man whose mind has been opened up to an understanding capacity, the humblest task takes on its true value as one of the processes of life. Possession of the treasures of history, art, romance, fiction, poetry, acquaintance with the better things of life, does not unfit any for work, nor does lack of this give the one without it any especial qualification.

The world may have too many lawyers, doctors, music teachers, and the like, but the record does not show it. Calls for preachers and teachers are numerous; statistics from law schools and medical colleges have startled the world with a predicted shortage of batristers and doctors, and other learned professions find room for the elect at least. Aside from this education is a boon and blessing as well as an incentive and stimulant to him who has it. It may not bring him riches, but it will give him something that can not be measured in money.

America Knows How. The news that machine shops in Minneapolis have reduced their working week to five days and that employes in some eastern mills are employed only half the usual number of hours is meat for far-flung speculation. Other thousands and hundreds of thousands of workingmen are said to be completely unemployed, and these are not the only ones to feel that this is an evil situation. And yet, during the war, millions of men were withdrawn from productive industry into purely destructive occupations, either in munition factories or in the armies. Poverty then seemed almost abolished. Having weathered the emergency which threw the burden of supporting millions of industrially unemployed men on those who remained at home, many hoped that when these millions returned to the business of production, poverty would be even more nearly liminated.

In violation of all common sense comes the claim that we have unemployment and stagnation because we have a surplus of goods. How could it be possible to become poor through being too rich? If this is accepted, however, shorter hours of labor might be expected to work a cure. The expediment of factories running only part time might be hopefully expected to demonstrate that humankind can supply all its wants, through the improvement of laborsaving machinery, with less effort than ever

before. Such visionary considerations are naturally evoked by the present condition. Out of them and out of the bare fact that millions of men were maintained in the armies and that even while supporting them the general condition of the people was higher than either before or after, can be extracted considerable good cheer. We have not forgotten how to produce in field. factory or shop. The same amount of labor, or, as theorists claim, a less amount of it, will now bring forth the necessaries of life, and even

When Americans think of how they came through the crisis of the war with flags flying both at home and overseas, a spirit of confidence is bound to be evoked. This optimism is rising day by day, and when soon the readjustment is completed, this great people will go ahead with a speed that never before was equaled.

Making Both Ends Meet.

Until careful research is made it is useless to attempt to explain the reasons for the decrease of \$365,000,000 in the earning of the railroads that is reported for last year by the bureau of railway economics. What part the essened demand for goods in the final six months and the slowdown of industry played is not a thing that can be guessed. Nor can one do more than speculate on the question whether the increase in rates was responsible for any considerable share of the smaller volume of

The laws of supply and demand, of course, function here just as in any other business. The price of any particular kind of goods is said to be fixed by the equation of supply and demand. Misunderstanding of the exact meaning of this is somewhat prevalent. Often supply is thought of as the total stock, and demand is considered to be the amount wanted by purchasers. This is loose thinking, for as a matter of fact, supply means nothing unless taken in consideration with a certain price. The supply of anything is the amount which sellers are willing to dispose of at that price. We have lately seen that the supply of grain at a low price is not as great as the supply would be at a higher price, for much of it has been held off the market.

In the same way, demand for anything at my given price is the amount that purchasers will take at that price. If the price goes up, fewer would be willing or able to buy. If the price goes down, more would be in the market. Consideration of this subject leads much farther, but enough has been brought out to show the dangers of artificial price regulation, neces-

sary though it may sometimes be. Undoubtedly there is a point at which utility rates will extinguish a portion of the demand for service, and a point also at which rates may be set with the result of increasing traffic. A rate high enough to discourage the use of a utility might bring in a smaller income or profit than a lower rate which increased the volume and encouraged patronage.

An Ohio Political Romance.

When Mr. Harding resigned as senator of the United States from Ohio, retiring to private life to prepare for inauguration as president, he wrote another paragraph in a bit of political history that will be cherished in his home state and is of interest elsewhere. In 1914 Theodore E. Burton, then United States senator, voluntarily stepped aside and let the nomination go to Warren G. Harding. Mr. Burton had made a good record for himself, and had been seriously considered as a candidate for the presidency. His renomination was looked upon by his friends as a matter of routine, there appearing no objection from any quarter. Yet he preferred to retire and gave his support to the Harding candidacy. Now, on the day Mr. Harding becomes president of the United States, Mr. Burton will enter the house of representatives as a member from a Cleveland district. The incident opens an inviting field for political speculation.

"Devil Anse" Hatfield is buried, but it will e a long time before his record is forgotten.

Omaha is to be cleaned of vice once more Yes, the election is just ahead.

Omaha is feeling growing pains again.

A Line O'Type or Two

THE ADVENTURERS.

Oh, it was May when Jason went To seek the shining fleece, And June was white when Helen fled And gave a war to Greece.

But long are past the summertides-The seasons of renown— When every hill the beacons fired And foreign flags went down.

For the gray days are gathering in, And our cold hearts are mute, Since that the woods are silent now

And we who forth with Jason sailed, Whose spears on Troy were set,

And ponder and forget. IT is fortunate for the United States that so alert a patriot as Mr. Butler is chairman of the naval committee. He does not propose that England and Japan shall secretly build ships England and Japan shall secretly while openly talking of a naval holiday. secret diplomacy, like murder, will out; it is never really secret. But there are a few things which a government can keep under its hat, There are three important nerve absolutely hidden, and one of these things is centers—little brains—in the neck. the building of a flock of battleships.

NO END EXCLUSIVE (From the classified ads.)

For sale, in Oak Park's most exclusive section, 2 biks, to L sta. Lot 50x173. Flat house, 5-6 rms. Garage for two cows. "I HAVE found already," says Mr. Hard-, "that intrigue and untruth must be guarded against." Rather. A man lifted from the pastoral environment of the United States senate and plunged into the intrigue of the presidential office, cannot be too cautious.

MORAL: KEEP YOUR SUBSCRIPTION PAID UP.

(From the Bayfield, Col., Blade.) Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Campbell left Bayfield Wednesday morning with the inten-tion of making their home eisewhere, going by automobile. We are told they are going to California. To Mr. Campbell we say: So long, you stinker, and may Bayfield never be cursed with the presence of you or your kind again. As one citizen remarked 'If he ever comes back, it will be too soon. And another worrying over the delay of your going. "If it's the condition of the roads that is keeping him here I am willing to drag the roads clear to Gallup." Evidently your departure pleases this people more than the striking of oil in Texas wells in which many are financially interested. God pity the people of the town in which you next pitch your tent.

TO LAURA.

I've seen you in the garden there, Filching the Roses' dew bath, and the while Twining sweet flowers of speech and your slim

In rhythmic garlands fair-Some subtle jest, with sentiment inwove, As the with quips and wanton wiles you strive To tantalize the Muse.

Between the lines of your charmed minstrelsy, A thief, I've sought your smile; And if your mood was sad—ah, well, I've kissed the Line, and begged it not to tell. Oft I've rehearsed some dear, familiar phrase

But echoes of grim historic "nays" Admonished me to stop the deal. But while I, trembling, hung aloof,

Nor plead for fear that you would spoof And deem my spirit's timid fire From out the low-browed crowd there swept And to your side profanely lept One elemental, unafraid, Like yokel to his chambermald,

As Kipling vouches Yankee clods Are wont to greet the embarrassed gods, Like wayward hands upon your hair His words caressed you then and there.

I gave the clown a pitying smile And waited, for a little while, The gently withering reproof— But not a word from you, forsooth!

Fair wanton, since your pedestal Is but a trysting place, I'll state, Henceforth, as far as I'm concerned, Your Collyum halo ain't on straight.

No more for me your Lauralis shine My westering wheel I'll proudly park By some discriminating shrine That bars the amours of Pete Rark.

"AND the world is the sort of a place That my judicious spirit grieves."
—Mary Austin, in Poetry. Your grammer, Mary, makes the judicious

AS for William Lyons Phelps' semark, which contrib has quoted, that "too much modern fiction is concerned with unpleasant characters whom one would not care to have as friends," how would you like to spend a week-end with the characters in "The Mayor of Casterbridge?" With the exception of the lady in "Two on a Tower," and one or two others, Mr. Hardy's characters are not the sort that one would care to be cast away with; yet will we sit the night out, book in hand, to follow their sordid for-

GRACE BEFORE MESS.

Sir: This is to let you know that while va-cationing in Springfield, O., I discovered a young lady who, when dining at a cafeteria, gathers all her food on a tray, sets it on the table, and then, standing with folded hands and downcast eyes, murmurs a prayer of "grace." I suppos she's thankful she "has it all together." M. S.

THE head of the P. R. was not wholly satisfied with our account of Ballymooney's copy. "You make yourself the here of the story,"

Why the Church Was Packed. (From the Miller, B. D., Press.)

Next Sunday morning the minister is going to, in his sermon, reveal: "How to Meet the Demand for Wine." The super-intendent of the Surday school announces that the supplies for the quarter are at hand and may be secured by the teachers at the church

BRING AS MANY AS YOU CAN. (Notice to Hamilton Club members.) "Members are requested during the rebuilding operations to eliminate the bring-ing of any one Chicago resident guest into the club house at the noon hour to once Names Jay Minister to Roumania."-Times.

What, another! OH, MY DEAR! DO YOU THINK YOU ARE Sir: Where may one find "Painted Veils?"
G. H.'s writings intrigue me more and more.

JAY AYE.

WHEN the young lady in full evening dress ook her seat in the Olympic, little Johnnie, two rows back, who never misses anything, piped up: "Oh, mommer, the actress just came See her down in front in tights!"

WHAT TO DO? WHAT TO DO? WHAT TO DO? (From the Marion Republican.) With the atmosphere too chilly to remain outdoors and the conversation of the housewife too heated if we ferry a wee morsel of mud indoors, what are we rustic dads to do? Join the aeros?

THE warmest Jan. 1-7 in forty years. Lucky didn't go to Miami.

B. L. T.

selling hair restorers.-Detroit Free Press,

ve didn't go to Miami. An Indiana merchant was fined for having a bankrupt sale when he was not a bankrupt. Soon they'll punish bald-headed druggists for

How to Keep Well

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

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HOW ABOUT YOUR NECK? | to make growth? I am doing light We do not think of the neck as a farm work now?" REPLY part of the body, that is, as a part with any health significance or as about through growing in height. Drinking milk will not make you taller. You can increase one/that portrays character. If, however, we will read what Dr. C. W. Crampton says about it we will your height considerably by standing straight. change our opinions. In the neck is located a very important part of the spinal cord. In fact, the pains in Depend on Your Weight.

REPLY.

Such Cases are Frequent.

several weeks what causes water to form in the lungs?

'2. Should it be drawn as soon

"8. If allowed to remain for a

few days or a week would pus

form?
'4. Are cases of this kind common

with pneumonia patients and can they be prevented? Are they con-

REPLY.

1. An extension of the infection

to the pleura, causing pleurisy.
2. Depends on the nature of the fluid. In most cases this policy is

3. Pus does not form unless the

4. Yes. This fact was not ap-

preciated until the army surgeons called attention to it.

Yes, a lot of folk

see fit to have their

rugs cleaned, even

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not followed or even advised.

pleura is infected with pus gems.

has been ill with

dered dangerous?"

Topsham writes: "1. After a person

H. J. writes: "Is there any harm he nerves of the arms and hands which are not due to local trouble in taking a nap just after eating have their origin in the neck re-gion or above. Of the neuritis pains a hearty noon dinner. Is not this na-One usually feels a little heavy after in the arms and hands at least half ture's hint to lie down for a half are due to conditions in the neck. hour's snooze as the animals seem Surrounding the spinal end are "I think some one has recomthe vertebrae. There naturally is a neck curve in the backbone, but this mended a short nap before dinner, but who wants to sleep then? Is not the advantage all in favor of the is often exaggerated. In the neck are the four great arteries which carry blood to the brain, the head after-dinner nap, when also one and the face. Also the jugular veins. wants it?"

having much to do with circulation and respiration. In front lies the thyroid gland, one of the most important of all ductless glands. Here are the plan for a thin person who wants to get fat than to take a nap immetrachea, an important part of the diately after eating. breathing tube, and the esophagus, or part of it, the great tube for swallowing.

And, finally, there are the pow-

These are sympathetic nerve ganglia

erful muscles which run up and down and which hold the head in position. Most of the weight of the head lies in front of the ears. Therefore, the tendency is for he head to slide forward. In other words, for the man to stoop, carryng the head forward with the face pointing down-ward. Witness the tendency of the nead to fall forward in nodding. At that time the muscles no longer

pull against the balance of weight Crampton thinks that when the head stoops forward and the head faces downward the flow of blood to the brain is in some measure in-terfered with. He says the neck tells the story of power or lack of it. Since every one's head is heavy in front and a forward stoop is inevitable as age weakens the muscles he custom of taking neck exercises

daily should be universal. This is the exercise he advises MME. WALSKA, we read, "blames Mary Garden for her withdrawal from the Chicago Grand Opera company." This is particularly unfortunate, in view of Miss Mary's recent remark that it is "too bad we cannot be all together, so that and inspire one another."

Chin nearly touches the breast both and the face looks downward. Turn the face forward, first one shoulder and then the other. Carry the neck and head slowly backward until the neck is bent sharply backward and the face is pointed toward the cell-Carry the face forward until the chin nearly touches the breast bone ing. Hold in this position for some seconds. Contract the muscles of the back of the neck. This exercise should be repeated at the rate of 15 times a minute. Most of the time should be occupied in carrying the head backward and holding it there. This exercise should be repeated about 10 times a day.

> Yes, There Is Winter Itch. Mrs. G. E. L. writes: "Is there such a thing as winter itch? Please describe it and give remedy.' REPLY.

There is a condition known as winter itch. It results from living in atmosphere that is hot and dry. The only satisfactory preventive is living in a cool, moist atmosphere. If one must live in a hot house he should humidify the air. In winter itch there is no eruption, unless scratch marks be called an eruption. The condition generally starts or the legs. The itching is very un-pleasant. Since itching is so great when one lies in a warm, dry bed, most of the scratching is done during sleep. Some people wear mitts while asleep to prevent scratching. For the purpose of giving relief there are scores of recipes. I will be republishing these off and on all

Vaccination Only Thing. Mrs. J. J. S. writes: "Our town has many cases of smallpox. Could you advise any preventive? Am us-ing cream of tartar solution. Will that help or is vaccination the only

Taking cream of tartar will not help in the least. Vaccination is

the only thing. Try Standing Straight.

H. B. writes: "Will a boy grow after the age of 20 years? Will drinking a pint of milk a day do any good, or what would be a good diet



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And Easy, Too, There ought to be money in quick-lunch privilege at Marion, O.,

these days—Los Angeles Times. Ask at the XXth Century Club. A Boston club is situated on Joy street. Do they drink grape juice in Joy street, or is it tea?—Louis-ville Courier-Journal.

Our idea of a hundred per cent stand patter is the fellow who is still dating his letters 1920.-Boston Transcript.

Out of Work and Money. Half a million men are said to be out of work at this time—and a year ago many of them were making \$10 a day, and spending it on Saturdays
—Florida Times-Union.

Germany's Industrial Recovery. The Krupps have given a remarkable demonstration of beating swords into plowshares. Without making a single article for use in war they realized gross profits in the pared with 12,750,000 in the previous Germany's industrial "come There is no direct harm. If a perback" is necessary to the coming of real peace.—Springfield Republican. son is disposed toward obesity he will find that a nap soon after eating

ends to make the food go to fat. On Now Halve the Painter. the other hand there is no better The price of linseed oil is halved and of turpentine more than halved, seems to cost fust as much as ever -Toronto Mail and Empire.

SAID TO BE FUNNY.

"Your speeches were distered to with close attention"
"That's what worries me," replied Sen-ator Sorghum "Any number of people are liable to remember there speeches and quote them when I am anxious to talk about something else."—Washington Star

"There are no more enterprising young men. Why, I remember when it was a common thing for a young man to start out as a clora and in a few years own the business."
"Tes, but cash registers have been invented since."—Virginia Reel.

Human nature is a queer thing.
There are persons who really believe dentist when he says: "Now this wen hurt you a bit."—Judge.



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