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1. New Union Passenger Station.

2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways.

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.

WITH OR WITHOUT ARMS.

Addressing the house committee on naval affairs, Gen. Tasker H. Bliss says if the United States will propose a disarmament conference, the whole world will quickly respond.

Very recently Premier Hughes of Australia, who was one of the three big men at Paris (Robert Borden of Canada and Jan Smuts of South Africa being the other two), announced an expansion of Australia's defense program.

These men showed themselves to be humane and gifted with vision in their statesmanship at Paris. Smuts is credited with having prepared the draft for the League of Nations covenant which was adopted.

When Lord Robert Cecil came out strongly for the proposed league, some months before the armistice was signed; before the A. E. F. had turned the tide of war at Belleau Wood and Chateau Thierry, The Bee made the statement that, whatever the end might be, England would retain its navy and France its army.

A world at peace is a delightful thing to look forward to. If America can hasten such a condition for mankind, all will unite in the effort.

In whatever way congress eventually may deal with the question of immigration, the hearings have demonstrated clearly the sort of prospective citizens that are most favorably regarded.

If America needs any influx of citizens from overseas, the need is not for those classes of any nation that live by their wits, but for those who can create wealth, whether on the farm, in the factory, or elsewhere.

It does not require the news that a public subscription is being raised to erect a monument over the unmarked grave of Christopher L. Sholes, the inventor of the typewriter, to prove that the genius for invention and the genius for business are seldom associated.

Sholes started out as a printer in Pennsylvania, afterward going to Wisconsin, where he became editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel and News. It was while he was enjoying the leisure which is so necessary to many men of inventive minds, as collector of customs, that he became interested in devising a machine for the consecutive numbering of bank books and ledgers.

ments with a mechanical writing device by John Pratt encouraged him to give his whole time and thought to the idea of a typewriter.

A year later, in 1867, he completed the first crude instrument, and soon it was found necessary to turn the manufacture over to an eastern arms company which was well equipped for doing fine work in steel.

Mr. Daniels and the Navy. Our soon to be eliminated secretary of the navy is still moving around the circle that has included his course ever since he took office.

Opening an Era of Thrift. The president of the Argentine republic, a few years ago, astounded the public by riding in his inauguration in a street car, and the residents of our own national capital probably are even more disappointed at the desire of President-elect Harding for economy and simplicity in the ceremonies of March 4.

Unless the American government saves its pennies, it will be incapable of saving its dollars. Although the residents of Washington guarantee the payment of the expenses of the various entertainments, the fact is that they are not called on to pay a cent, the money coming from the purses of the visitors to Washington and from the public treasury.

The loss by fire of census records dating back to 1790 is at once an indictment of the United States government for not providing fireproof surroundings for these valuable documents, and of those whose official or unofficial duty should have been to codify and publish the information concealed in their pages.

Scholarly investigation and official research among government reports have been carried farther in the great nations of Europe than here. Social students have long been handicapped by the dearth of accurate information based on government reports. This is true not only in relation to the census bureau, but also of the Treasury department, which only in a meager way has made any studies of tax returns as a basis for economic reasoning.

Example for the Legislature. In line with the letter of John Hoge on the subject of a permanent policy for state buildings, the legislature is getting a concrete illustration of the situation which is more serious than has yet been disclosed.

Our interesting democratic contemporary might have included in its eulogy on Senator Thomas the statement that he refused to be a candidate for re-election because he could not endorse the president's policy.

Certain enterprising Nebraska communities are showing the way for the metropolis by adopting the city manager form.

The cheerful toot of the factory whistle is heard again, the best possible evidence that America is neither dead nor dying.

A Line O' Type or Two

How to the Line, let the quips fall where they may.

THAT Danville woman who is declining food until her husband quits the produce business for the ministry is a member in uncommonly good standing of the League of Making Virtue Odious.

WE must disagree with Mrs. Sevey, who advocates a public hanging in Chicago, every week. We believe that once a fortnight would serve the purpose quite as well.

Podunk Papers Please Copy. (White Sulphur Springs, N. Y. Times.) Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Wickliffe Yulee, with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Fell, spent several hours on the sun porch yesterday.

"WHAT I want to know is," writes Fritillaria, "whether you think Jane Austen drew Edmund and Fanny for models, or knew them for the unconscionable prigs they are. I am collecting votes." Well, we think Jane knew they were prigs, but nevertheless had, like herself, a warm affection for them.

IT BEFELL IN MADISON. The clerk at the desk phone yelled: "Hello! What do you think this is, a free country?" "Turning me, he explained, "I just wanted to drink a nootch."

NORTH DAKOTA has brought suit against Minnesota for damages on account of the latter building the Mustinka drainage ditch. Apparently.

THE COURTESY BOOBY PRIZE. Sir: Friend husband announced that he was going to win one of those prizes before the Po- litan Editor. "I didn't know they were giving out booby prizes," "Huh!" sezze, "I wouldn't win the booby prize, but I can tell you who would. It's old Sam Hewitt down at McLean. Sam's cousin, Joe Bell, from Ohio, that he hadn't seen for twenty years, walked up and rang the bell one day. Sam came to the door, looked him up and said, 'Hello, Sam! How are you?' and Joe, 'I guess you don't remember me.' 'Yes, I do,' says Sam. 'Your Aunt Mattie Bell's boy,' with his hand still on the doorknob. 'Uncle Ben! How are you?' 'Just like that old fool,' says Sam; 'always shootin' off his mouth about things that don't concern him no ways. And you'll tell him I said 'Hi' to the door.'"

"WE have brought shoe prices to the bottom," announces a Chicago concern. But we supposed that all shoe dealers marked the price on the sole.

SOUNDS LIKE A SETTING UP EXERCISE. (From the American Magazine.) "Go ahead," he answered, with his tongue in his cheek. "The other leaders answered me in like manner."

NOT all those who saw the marionette show in our village the other day may be acquainted with the following dialogue:

M. Signore's Marionettes. (Anatole France, "La Vie Litteraire.") If I must speak my whole mind, actors spoil comedy for me. I mean good actors. I might perhaps come to terms with the other sort, but decidedly I cannot endure excellent actors such as you are to be seen at the Grand Theatre. Their talent is too great; it overwhelms everything. There is nothing but them. Their personality effaces the work they represent. They are important. It would hurt me to be important when he has genius. I dream of masterpieces played in a slap-dash style in barns by strolling players.

"WHENEVER you see a dirty car," advertises the Auto Laundry of Mattoon, "remember the Auto Laundry."

QUITE as candid is the Elgin Drug Co., which confesses: "We advanced our prices irrespective of the lower prices we paid for our merchandise."

A LITTLE EXERCISE IN HISTORY. Sir: For some time we have heard no voices from the school of history. I am therefore tempted to submit a single article in the form of a conversation between a prospective customer and a sausage dealer:

Charcuterie: "Six sous, ces six saucissons-cl, et comblez ces six saucissons-cl." BALLYMOONEY. COL. BUTCHER says she uses "The Crook of Gold" to test the mind of people. A friend of ours buys "Zuleika Doherty" for the same purpose. What literary acid do you apply?

A Poem That Every Child Should Know. (From the Champaign News-Gazette.) It was the twenty-third of this December I always will remember. The decorators from Decatur came to beautify our hospital and our school for the white. And all soon began to assume A look that was pleasing to the eye.

The entertainment we had was great. We thought so at any rate. Especially the feature Rev. Sumerville. Who entertained us with a lecture in good style. He advocated keeping our money in the white. And what we did, do it with a will.

The banquet on Christmas day. In my memory will always stay. For all was sweet and wholesome as honey in the comb. And we offer up a fervent prayer That all men have the same sweet care. As the members of the Sullivan Masonic Home. EVERY time we think of the sugar we bought at thirty cents the pound we weep afresh for those unfortunate Cuban sugarbeets.

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS

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WHO WILL INVENT COLIC CURE? The man who will invent a cure for colic that will work in every case will get a medal from the mothers and the fathers will not be unappreciative. Babies have a way of getting colic at night, and the old and tried remedy is walking the floor with the youngster.

There may be worse indoor sports, but it would be hard to prove it to father in cold weather. Mother knows that the floor walking also goes on all day while father is away at work.

One way to less colic, and a good one, is to cut down the baby's rations. Babies get colic just as men and mules get it—from over-eating. If the mother whose baby nurses 15 minutes will stop him at 10 or 12 minutes he will not overfill his stomach, and perhaps more important still, he will not get so much of the rich strippings which come down as the last of the milk is drawn away. Some women stop their babies from having colic by having them such a few minutes from one breast to the other. The idea is that the first milk which comes out is not so rich as the last.

But the experience of Dr. Grulice tells of a method which he and some of his friends have found almost panacea for these troublesome cases. Twice a day about one-half teaspoon of a good active culture of lactic acid bacilli is given. Before each nursing about 15 grains of powdered pure casein is made into a paste with water and placed on the back part of the baby's tongue. When the baby nurses the paste is washed into the stomach.

The casein must be pure. If it is not available some of the prepared foods composed principally of casein can be used. If neither can be secured the mother can thoroughly wash her hands and the baby's mouth with the curd. The curd from two table-spoons of skimmed milk will be enough for one dose.

In the experience of Dr. Grulice and his friends this method will cure the baby of having colic in about a week or 10 days. If the colic is due to undigestion this method will be quite unsatisfactory.

Choose Your Own Illness. "I have noticed an article entitled 'Quick Doctors. This Cargo May Cause an Epidemic.' Not being informed regarding the disease for which champagne is used, I would appreciate it if you would explain to your columns the medicinal advantages of champagne. I also would like to know the hospitals to which the cargo will be consigned, and if possible what doctors will prescribe this medicine. I always have understood that champagne

was good for only one disease, i. e., the one that the government is trying to wipe out at the present time. However, I am subject to the attacks of several kinds of bacteria and am certain that I may become ill upon receipt of the information which I have requested."

REPLY. The wags on the paper turned this letter down and sent it in to the learned editorial writers. They, too, dodged the issue. On its way the waste basket it fell into my hands. It is fair to say 99 per cent of this shipment will go the way of all other booze. It will be taken out on fake prescriptions and will be used to upset digestion and provoke headaches. A certain small proportion will be used medicinally. Some physicians think that a sip of lead champagne is of some service in allaying nausea cases of desperate illness of which an irritable stomach is an issue. It is supposed that the carbonic acid gas is the principal factor on giving relief. There are others who say that an ice-cold champagne water sipper in the same way would have the same effect, and that if given instead of champagne the system would be spared the harmful effects of the champagne. To this the advocates of champagne say the quantity consumed by a sick person is very small and that the gas does not reach the liver, and digestion which the man is sobering up from a champagne drunk knows all about, are not to be considered. They say that old soaks sick and nauseated do not get the effect they need from sipping lead carbonated water.

About Locomotor Ataxia. C. B. writes: "Will you please tell me the symptoms of locomotor ataxia? Is there any cure?" REPLY. One of the first symptoms is shooting pains. These pains may shoot into the pit of the stomach or down the legs. They are violent. They come and go, often manifesting themselves at night. Later on, difficulty in walking and in standing with the eyes closed appears. The gait is characteristic.

REPLY. Large enemas of salt solution are the only medication resorted to in the average case. This should be repeated at week intervals for a while.

Use Salt and Water. J. H. T. writes: "How can I cure myself of pinworms? I have been bothered for more than a year."

REPLY. Swift & Company has equipped its plants and branch houses with refrigerating plants, and has a sufficient number of refrigerator cars to carry a supply of meat foods to its customers. Space in public cold storage warehouses also is used by us to carry perishables until they are needed.

We store only enough meat, butter, poultry, eggs, and cheese to supply our customers during the period of scarcity and not to speculate on rising prices. Our storage profits during the last eight years have averaged about one cent a dozen on eggs, and less than a cent a pound on butter and poultry.

Storage of food is a world necessity and we regard our part in this as an important factor in our service in supplying the nation with wholesome food.

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The Bee's Letter Box

About Utility Rates. Omaha, Jan. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Those corporations seeking increase in rates from the commission, giving as the main reason the high cost of fuel, should take into consideration the fact that coal prices are being lowered, that they have their pick of thousands of unemployed in our city to settle their labor troubles. Now it looks like rates raised, more revenue, lowering prices, less expense. Pocket the difference, and never lower rates unless compelled to. Have the promise made by other corporations been fulfilled? Is the commission representing the people or the corporations? A remedy would be for the commission to take as long a time in granting a raise in rates as the corporation takes in lowering them.

Nonpartisan Campaign Plans. Lincoln, Jan. 10.—To the Editor of The Bee: The article appearing in last Sunday's Omaha Bee headed, "Nonpartisan League Evacuates Nebraska," seems to me to give the impression that the league has abandoned its work in this state. This is not true. The facts are these: The Grand Island headquarters, which, by the way, consisted of one room and not an entire hotel floor, were devoted to organization purposes solely. At the time the storm struck Nebraska before Christmas the work of organization was stopped and because of better roads and weather conditions the league forces were moved to Kansas. However, at no time have we ceased organization work in Nebraska and at the present time there are a number of organizers at work in this state. There was no mystery about the closing of the Grand Island headquarters and that closing was only temporary. The league has no intention of evacuating Nebraska and we fully intend to be here during the next two years and longer.

Those who hold a preconceived belief that this or that piano is the "plus ultra" of the piano-maker's art are invited to try or hear the Mason & Hamlin. At once they will have found a standard of piano excellence—in tone, in touch, in resonance—undreamed of before. They will realize that justly is it highest priced, and highest praised.

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A Case of Middleman. Those who paid \$1.50 or \$2 for a 3-cent pound of sugar in fancy candy form didn't kick, because kicking is not a holiday form of exercise. But when they think it over they are a bit surprised at themselves.—Brooklyn Eagle.

What's Your Share? Problem for the math sharks: Divided by 105,000,000, how much per capita would an inauguration expense of \$50,000 amount to?—Boston Transcript.

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