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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.
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- 4. Home Rule Charter for Omaha, with City Manager form of Government.

#### Public Morals and the Censor.

Whatever affects private morals directly influences public morals, for the one is a reflection of the other. Consequently any discussion of the one must in some degree include the other. If it is necessary to circumscribe the individual in all his movements, prescribing for him what he may do and emphatically setting forth what he shall not do, then it is because the individual has failed in the regulation of his own conduct, and must submit to the corrective and repressive attention of those who are to be trusted because of their wider experience, profounder knowledge and more effectual self-control. Are we confronted with such a state of society?

One of the after-effects of the war was a natural relaxation from a tension that strained humanity almost to the breaking point. Much of the resilience of man's moral nature was lost because of the long continued drag on its springs, and when the load was lifted these did not immediately fly back to the form of prewar propriety. Some manifestations of this took the shape of music that appealed to the primitive, lances that gave greater expression to the nataral than the artificial elements, to exhibitions of various sorts whose details disturbed when they did not actually shock sensibilities attuned to the excellent quality of goodness attained through long development. On the surface this might seem to indicate a breaking down of the fiber of our people.

More experienced observers have accepted the phenomenon as but a natural accompaniment of the generally disordered condition of the world, feeling confident that as other matters of life were adjusted, so would the morality of the people assume a more encouraging appearance. Deep lying sentiments are not moved by the surface ebullitions, nor is it at any point apparent that our national character has suffered seriously or extensively because of the momentary presence of the things some deem unde-

Those who are devoted to repression through legislation may well consider the problem in its broad as well as its narrow phase. The Bee has ever strongly advocated decency in all things: it has in the past set its face resolutely against the meretricious and unclean things tendered the public in guise of amusement, and it has no word of defense or apology to make for them now. Nor can those who are threatened with the oversight of censorship present themselves as entirely blameless. They have invited the visitation, and need not be surprised that the movement has influential backing.

The Bee, however, believes the best answer is to be found in the home. Fathers and mothers know what sort of amusement is wholesome and what is bad, and they are charged above all others with the care and control of their children. It will be easy for them to exercise such supervision over the amusements of the little folks as will preserve them from contamination by keeping them away from unfit exhibitions. Adults know right from wrong, and if they only can be induced to induige proper discrimination, the unworthy will soon disappear for lack of patronage.

But it is both unwise and dangerous to give into the hands of any small group of men and women the power to decide what may or what may not be offered for the entertainment of all. Public morals should not be subject to the decision that rests on the taste, bias, prejudice or predilection of a chosen few, no matter how wise, experienced or otherwise qualified they may be. Existing law is ample to prevent the exhibition of indecent or improper shows; public opinion is the final tribunal in which a decision is to be rendered, and this should not be restricted to the opinion of a board. Censorship implies a control that is not in keeping with the ideals of our government, carries with it a thought of intolerance, and promises only trouble for all concerned.

### Keeping Out of Politics.

Nothing could be more futile than the attempt to keep economic questions out of politics. The effort to maintain the old-fashioned idea of statesmanship which shall deal only with political problems and which considers that a nation where everyone is allowed to vote is the last word in democracy is a flat failure. The world war did much to hasten the coming of the new industrial statesmanship, calling as it did, on men skilled in business and industry to shoulder the burdens that politicians found

beyond their capacity. Today in every nation two quite separate powers exist-the political and the business or industrial. Efforts of the political branch to tinker with the industrial have not been a success, and efforts of the industrial to influence the political have been characterized by an equal amount of blundering, as witness the Adamson law and the attempt to legislate on questions concerning fair prices, trusts, railroads and any number of cases where popular rights and rights of property and labor are involved.

Appeals still go up to have the natural economic laws of supply and demand repealed, and efforts are constantly made to accomplish this. Meanwhile, supply and demand both fall under a blight. The fiction that the economic side of life is quite apart from the political side is exposed p almost every other bill which comes | tobacco reappears.

before the legislative bodies. Frank Vanderlip, who is out with the suggestion that an auxiliary advisory committee be elected to assist congress at least has made a frank admission of the vacant spot in government, and it seems extremely likely that the last has not been heard of the idea of occupational as well as geographical representation.

#### Schwab and the Public.

Americans will be slow to think that Charles M. Schwab was engaged in a conspiracy to swindle the United States government through his connection with the Shipping board's building operation. Nothing in his remarkable career suggests such a thought. For mere money he has no need and therefore may be considered beyond its influence. Through many years he has had a princely income, but never has he exhibited any sign of money madness. Money to him has meant merely a means, not an end. He has been in the truest sense a builder, developing a great industry to a wonderful state of efficiency, improving its processes, expanding its capacity for service, and giving to the world benefits of his genius for organizing and executing gigantic plans of construction. Such a man is unlikely to turn grafter, just at the time he has reached the pinnacle of his fame.

It was to Schwab that Kitchener turned in the moment of his greatest need, and it was Schwab who provided the great warrior with the means of stemming the tide of German onslaught. When the operations of Bethlehem Steel attracted the attention of the stock market gamblers, they sent the shares skyrocketing, Githout being able to actually deal in one, because Schwab resolutely set himself against the speculative movement. Had he been avid of wealth, there was his opportunity to have turned hundreds of nillions into his private purse. Such extensions of the capital stock of the corporation as were authorized went for the erection of new and the extension of existing plants. Schwab was not looking for money; he sought only more steel and better steel, and he gave it to the

Only a day or two before the storm of scandal broke over him, at a dinner in Baltimore, he expressed his wish that his monument should take the shape of a forest of tall chimneys. blazing forth the birth of such continual flood of steel as will give the world its needs through ages yet to some. Schwab has come up from the material yard of a steel mill to be the foremost man in the industry of the world. He did this through his sheer ability, his unrelenting diligence, and his impeccable honesty. Calumny has assailed him, but he is formally exonerated, and may stand before all men, erect and justified. Schwab is not a grafter, and the American people will be plad to know it.

#### Useless Instinct of Rebellion.

It is impossible, of course, to be in favor of anything without being against something else. but there so often is too much emphasis on the mere fact of opposition. Men may be opposed to certain conditions and filled with righteous indignation, but unless they have a constructive plan with which to replace the old method, their activities are of little avail.

Too much reform agitation has gone little farther than mere opposition to men in office or established institutions. We see it when elections result in turning one set of men out and putting another lot in their place. There is no plan, nothing accomplished. It is easy indeed to assail the men in power, for the feeling always exists that they are responsible for everything, even down to the state of the weather.

The world today is suffering from a shortage of facts. Even in cases where careful research has made the fact available, they play less part than prejudice in deciding great questions. It is as H. G. Welts recently said in discussing Winston Churchiff:

But what a pitiful and dreary project this is-to be an anti! To have no faith of your own, no plan of your own, to build nothing. to cultivate nothing, but to devote your life to ranting denunciation and to thwarting and overthrowing the efforts of other men.

Mr. Wells was speaking on that subject which looms so large in his attention just nowthe establishment of peace and civilization on firmer foundations. "The class war," he says, "is after all as 'anti' a thing as nay. Bolshevik and anti-bolshevik are but left and right of the same thing, two divergent expressions of impatient, undisciplined and unenlightened minds."

Respect for facts, desire for truth, and unwillingness to act without having a constructive plan-these offer more promise for the advancement of progress than any of the heated and pointless appeals to prejudice, hate and mutual

### Making a Business Pay.

One of the counsellors at the local retail merchants' conference speaks with authority, because he has built up a splendid business in a small community. When he tells how to succeed, he does so with the conscious knowledge that he has succeeded. Examination of his statements reveals no magic formula. Whatever he has done rests on the solid foundation endorsed by age-old experience. He mixed brains with hard work; and out of it came prosperity. His credit and his custom alike rest on character. But these are merely the machinery; to set it into motion and get results, motive force is needed. This was supplied by enterprising advertising; he told the public what he had and then delivered the goods. He does not say so, but we will venture the assertion that no customer ever went out of his store carrying anything that was not what it had been represented If he advertised a bargain, he furnished the bargain. Patrons were attracted to his place of business by offers that allured them; they were held by service that secured their interest. That is all. Honesty, enterprise, proper management are the three great requisites to success, and without them, or either of them. no mercantile undertaking can live. And this man, as every other who has made his business a shining light in the world, found the people through advertising in newspapers.

The estimate that one out of every five persons in the United States attends a school of some kind probably includes dancing school, Sunday school and the school for scandal.

The New York crime investigation which re ports that chorus girls rank high in character must be true, for the ladies in question can not be accused of concealing anything.

Smokers will never be convinced that the cost of living is down until the 10-rent can of

# A Line O' Type or Two

SAPIENTIA PROSODIAE CULINARIAE!

mix my bread in plain spondees. lambics serve for grating cheese. Dactyls are useful for beating up cake An amphibrach serves me when mince-meat I make, Omelets take a trochee brisk,

Thus with fork and spoon and beater may mix both meat and metre Into food and verses airy, Free from curses culinary Set to fitting beat and measure.

Anacrussi, crasis, stresses, These apply to my successes But when cakes and pastry burn Then from lyric terms I turn, and without hesitating for a single second to weigh the merits or demerits of Vers Libre, I address myself to pure unvarnished prose, best

by the dash and the hiatus, While I curse the saleratus! ANCHUSA. THE lord mayor of Cork now has a seaman's certificate and permission to ship aboard an outward-bound vessel. His plans are re-ported "indefinite," and one wonders what are the duties of a lord mayor of Cork.

'SMATTER MILO? (From the Clark County Democrat.)
This is to state that myself nor any of my family will buy any more goods at Grabenheimers' store in Marshall. Milo Combs.

"I INCLOSE s. a. e., and shall be most grateful for your reply," writes a lady to Amicus Pop. Quoth Gibbon: "Nor should I complain of the intricacy of Gothic alphabets and Greek characters, since every day, and in a familiar language. I am at a loss to decipher the hieroglyphics of

A COLLEAGUE OF GESTA ROMANORUM? Sir:. Recently a class was questioned with reference to the philosopher's stone, and this ing this first 15 years. Not even the was brought to light:

cayeful people have the habit of

a female note."

"Philosopher Stone said that gold was a finished product of nature. He discovered that it was necessary to have air in order to have lamps CHEMICUS.

MR. IOSEF HOFMANN intrigues us. Here is an artist who can play anything, except perhaps Debussy; yet through indolence, indifference, or perverseness, he offers an all-Schumann program-the Symphonic Variations at one end, the Carnaval at the other, and four or five short pieces between. Mon Gosh! And to make matters worse, he plays the entire program without leaving the stage, thereby defeating our purpose to walk out on the Carnaval!

WHY YE CMPOSITOR WAS TINNED. (From the Spencer, Ia., Reporter.) The guests were seated at one long table graced with a centerpiece of yellow roses, from which radiated strands of smallpox and rosebuds to the ends of the table.

A CALF which Dr. Van Winkle was treating in Salem, Ia., kicked him in the head, since which time he sees double. A white mule could

#### THROUGH A HOTEL WINDOW.

Mr. W. L. George In the current installment study in American psychology ays undeserved homage the diligence and industry Of Chicago business men Because Of an evening, From his hotel window, He counted the lighted offices In a building across the street And presumed that the offices were occupied By untiring captains of industry.

copping off an eight-hour day When in reality The occupants were group of ladies rom Jugo-Slavia Swirling indifferent scrub-rags And shaking the languid broom. All of which proves That it is sometimes unsound To deduce too much

Through a hotel window. M. J. B. ASIDE from his super-mathematics, Dr. Einstein is understandable. He prefers Bach to Wagner, Shakespeare to Goethe, and he would rather walk in the valleys than climb the moun-

THE GUY'S PROGRESS. Sir: The evolution of the Rev. Guy Kyle: Free Methodist, freethinker, freebooter. CALCITROSUS.

SAD and bad as is this world, it cannot be so bad and sad as it seems to the cheery crew who write the New Republic. QUERY: HOW MANY CARS DID THEY SEE?

(From the Dubuque Times-Journal.) Two cars driven by F. G. Fuller and Arthur Dubble collided at Thirty-fourth and Couler avenue about 10 o'clock Thursday

"BELOW," writes a firm in Ligonier, Ind.
"is a copy of a letter we received today from one of our creditors." But as we have received the same letter from four or five other sections of the country, we fear another attempt has been made to take advantage of our innocence. THE VETERAN.

#### (Minnesota version.)

A mournful son of old Kerchook He wiped a tearful eye,
"Oh that I had a good old jag,
Again before I die, can't drink Foker's Bitters. For in my cap and gown I have been drunk at Toozes', In Minneapolis Town.'

His buddie said, "Pray calm yourself. And come along with me, For in my dusty garret Is a jug of 'Busy Bee.'
It has a kick like Capron's. Its sting is like death's frown; I, too, was drunk at Toozes',

In Minneapolis Town. So arm in arm they fetched that jug. 'He took a shot of "Bee,"
And though it broke his shoestrings, He tossed off two or three, But still he walked seren and straight. His face still wore a frown; For he'd been drunk at Toozes' In Minneapolis Town.

MUCH "valuable correspondence" was lost in a fire that ravaged Mr. Harding's headquarters in Marion. So if you don't get that postoffice you will know why. ST. AUGUSTINE.

Sir: The porter on the Seminole Limited calls it "Snogsteen," and the prominent club woman here speaks of it as Senaugusteen," the accent on the ultimate.

H. H. O.

"THINKING as One Walks."-Doc Evans. "Meaning," conjectures Fenton, "that if one s bow-legged one is likely to think in circles." Or if one limps, one is likely to come to a lame conclusion. Or if— Roll your own. NEW . MOON.

What hast thou in thy silver barque, Q Moon?
"I bear imperial freight unto the twilight Star Lo! she appears, and I shall hall her soon And lade with dreams her golden-gleaming LAURA BLACKBURN.

ACCORDING to the Milford Herald, a young couple were married "under the strain of Mendelssohn's wedding march. THE VILLAGE OMAR LOSES HIS OUTFIT.

(From the Fort Dodge Messenger.) Lost—Grass rug and ukulele between Shady Oaks and Fort Dodge. Finder please notify Messenger.

Playing Safe.

OF course you noticed that the drive against the breweries is headed by Col. Nutt. B. L. T.

## cers may decide to deal only with such customers as can whisper the password through a bullet-proof door.—Indianapolis News.

A few more suburban robberies, and the gro-

Hopeful. It will soon be so that a cowman can sell a couple of cowhides and go buy a pair of shoes with the Money .- Albuquerque Journal

### How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS Questions concerning hygiene, sanita tion 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 en-closed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of

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PULL DECAYED MILK TEETH. The milk teeth are apt to decay When decay appears in these teeth the parents sometimes consult dentists, and when they do they not infrequently get conflicting advice half-century-old methods to present One dentist advises leaving in Mary's teeth just as long as possible, even

left in as long as possible the jaws nearby teeth will slide in to the goes on having toothache, tender cayed teeth should come out. tween the two opinions parents are

left in a state of perplexity. There are three reasons for early and extensive decay in the milk and extensive decay in the mine working out some knotty problem in teeth. Many of them are forming working out some knotty problem in their crowns in the last month of the shade of a tree instead of out in the hot sun, and proceeds immediately and many children are in the hot sun, and proceeds immediately to advise the department that The remainder are form-All of this means that the milk teeth are apt to be of poor

children a little older are not much better off.

In the third place, the great physical activity of children calls for work? Instead we should clean a carbohydrate diet, and such a the slate and draft a new code, and diet makes for decay of teeth. An English practitioner, Dr. F. S. Steadman, has long advocated the to which the writer wishes to call very free extraction of decayed milk attention. Road building is getting little to fill the cavities in milk teeth has its problems of drainage, grade because the pulp is so large that establishment, population to be it lies near the surface and is nearly served, character of traffic to be always infected when decay is handled, money available, etc. These present. When he finds a shallow are essentially engineering prob-

is infected he extracts.

The obections to extracting the soon deteriorates to the scrap heap. milk teeth, -Dr. Steadman says, are Divided responsibility, too, one of not valid. He finds that such chil-dren masticate their food well. He tion, must assume its share as a concharge that in such cases the jaws we go merrily on "passing the buck."
do not develop well and he finds
no basis at all for the statement.

The amount of money spent annually on the county road systems tend to slide into the vacant space many of our counties exceed he finds to be of little practical importance, except as regards the back boards are conscientious in the us teeth. The molars which crupt at six of this money, the fact remains that years are permanent teeth, and not in the majority of counties it is spent

milk teeth. If the teeth are drawn without a plan of any sort, and also after the six-year molars have oc-cluded this is not likely to happen. In other words, the objection is not valid if the child is over 7 years The sliding can be against in younger children by periodic dental care. The advantage of extracting decayed milk teeth is that it prevents

toothache, sore teeth, sepsis and infections due to absorption from

## It is stated by a financial author-

Everybody Wearled.

that the federal tax collectors are in danger of breaking down un-der the strain. So are the payers.— Boston Transcript.

## OPEN FORUM

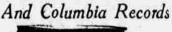
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years, during which time the writer has been connected officially with the surveys of a portion of our state. study more or less at short range, the problems of road building and maintenance, and the operation of

the laws governing the same. He has noted the attempts of our these laws those things that were intended to advance rather than system of the state. hinder, and be has also noted a gradual awakening of the people partment of Public from the lethargy of trying to apply

The progress 'made toward tanthough decay is extensive. gible results under these laws is He says unless the milk teeth are gratifying. To the open mind, it is necessary only to cite our own Dewill not develop properly or the partment of Public Works, and wist it has done toward the improvement tioner. vacant space. In consequence Mary of our system of state highways. To the skeptic, this statement probably teeth, and maybe rheumatism or St. does not appeal, for all he sees in it, tion of experienced grading outfits Johnny is taken to even if he takes the trouble to visit another dentist, who says the de- the department in Lincoln, is a lot Be- of engineers and draftsmen working out plans that mean to him no more than so much Greek or Latin. Or perhaps he may see the project en-

born in bad health and with low diately to advise the department that county officials. three men are loafing on the job ing their crowns during the first But, thanks to an adequate system of accounting, in the hands of speperiod is there so much severe ill- cialists in their line, it has proven beyond the danger of suc-cessful contradiction, that it pays to know what one intends to do before starting to do it, and furthermore being obtained, and will accomplish In the second place, there is no other period of life in which the that there is more money wasted three potent things toward effievery year in the building and maintenance of county roads under fosdaily cleaning the baby's teeth. The erating expense of the State Highway department for a like period

day conditions.

Why then attempt to patch up old laws governing the county road stop wasting the taxpayers money.

This leads up to the real subject He says it accomplishes very to be more and more a science. present. When he mas a shallow are essentially engineering problems, and while it has been said that posed pulp he fills it at once. Of course, the pulp can be infected without being exposed. If the pulp is infected he extracts.

The obsciling to the pulp of the lack of it is rotten, the whole

nas paid special attention to the tributor toward inefficiency, while The charge that the nearby teeth in the state of Nebraska, will in

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Us a Visit-Come Any Tim

Fairbury, Neb., Jan. 24.—To the the county got its money's worth, Editor of The Bee: For the past few while a record system to make possible a measure of the efficiency of

he has also had the opportunity to a refinement not in the interests of economy. As a solution to the chaotic condition obtaining at the present time, First. Broadening of the author-

the writer suggests the following: egislatures since 1913, to instill into ity of the Department of Public Works to include the entire road Second. Appointment by the De-partment of Public Works, of the county engineer, who shall also be

the county surveyor and have charge of all road work in his county, under the supervision of the Department of Public Works, but who may be removed from office for cause. Provide that the county engineer shall be a licensed practi-

Elimination Fourth. elected road overseer, and substitu-Redraft all road laws around the county engineer as the Sixth. Provide for the prepara tion of a complete record of the road system of the county, and the gineer and his helpers on the works, installation of an efficient cost accounting and budget system.

the highway department to other Eighth. Make the board of county commissioners an auditing and advisory body only. The adoption of a system in which

First. Responsibility is placed upon the shoulders of one man, who Second. All work is guaranteed expert supervision and accurate cost



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mum, cost of production reduced, efficiency increased. In short, apply to the county high ways sane business principles same as a private organization handling a like amount of money would do, and the first biennial will com- be able to show, without added cost one method or structure as com-pared with another, is scoffed at as to the taxpayers, a marked decrease in the cost of doing things, and a substantial reduction of the now standing against the road and bridge funds of a majority of the

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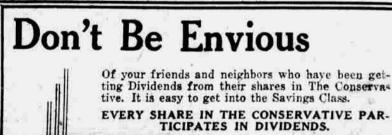
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