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The Bee's Platform

- 1. New Union Passenger Station. 2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways, including the pavement of Main Thoroughfares leading into Omaha with a Brick Surface.

Hughes for Secretary of State.

Mr. Harding's first personal announcement of a choice for cabinet positions is one that will measure not only the American people, but the world at large. His selection of Charles Evans Hughes for the place of secretary of state is a happy one, foreshadowed for some time, but welcome now that it is officially given out.

The position has always been a highly important one, although not always worthily filled. While America has no "foreign policy," in the sense that it differs from the chancelleries of Europe in tradition and aspiration, and because the State department is subject to the mutations of domestic politics, yet the maintenance of our relations with foreign countries proceeds on a definite understanding of our own rights and aspirations and a willingness to recognize those of our neighbors.

Charles Evans Hughes will be received with confidence by the world, because he is known. He has figured very little in the diplomatic world, but as a former justice of the supreme court of the United States, and as a man widely versed in the practical affairs of life, he comes to his new employment well established in the experience that is needed in that work.

If Mr. Harding is as fortunate in his other selections of advisers as he has been in his choice of premiers, his administration will start with high prospect of early redemption of all that is expected from him. At least he has shown an intent to restore the dignity of American diplomatic dealings, and thus to redeem the honor and credit of our State department, something that has sadly suffered under the Wilson policy.

National Confidence Rises Again. Suspicion that one is being made a fool of produces a most uncomfortable feeling, and it has been the fear that America was being imposed upon that has made our foreign policy of late so confused.

Now, in our dealings with Japan, with England and with every other nation, something of the old confidence has disappeared. We imagine that while words may be fair, there is behind them the intention to take an advantage of our lack of diplomatic adroitness, or to call it by its real name, American straightforwardness.

For these reasons, among others, it is a hopeful and reassuring thing that a change in administration is about to take place. And with Charles Evans Hughes in the position of secretary of state, this injurious and fantastic picture of America as a babe in the woods will soon be dispelled.

The Secret of French Thrift. The thrift of the French people is proverbial, but too often this trait is pictured as hiding money away in a sock or investing in gilded securities.

The unanimity with which the senate of Nebraska endorsed the proposed Great Lakes waterway project shows the strength of the belief that this improvement would be to the great advantage of the Middle West.

Did you read the pathetic story of a blind physician the other day? You know, the one who remarked, in discussing the pneumonia crop, that he "had been told" that some young women dress very scantily.

the cities laborers are working hard and don't stop to talk and smoke. They are very industrious people and will overcome the terrible losses of life and property due to the war more rapidly than any other nation could.

Building and Loan Associations.

The building and loan association is the friend of the working and small salaried classes, who can become home owners only by weekly or monthly saving. These associations have been the financing medium for building nearly 40,000 homes in the cities, towns and villages of this state.

Although the primary purpose of these associations is to encourage development within local communities, their advantages are also enjoyed by the farming class, and this has been recognized in other states, where encouragement has been given to the associations.

As purely co-operative associations, working in a restricted field, that of loaning money on first mortgages, and having but two classes to serve, the small saver or investor on the one hand and the borrower on the other, these organizations are filling a most important function in social life.

The amendment now before the legislature does not contemplate any exemption, but only a relief from double taxation. If passed, associations will be taxed upon their cash balances, stock loans to members and other property on which no tax is now paid, and the state will be gainier, while the small shareholders will be relieved from a burden that really is onerous.

Do not kill House Bill No. 454 or Senate Bill No. 69. It has not yet occurred to any of the multitudinous organizations in our land to proclaim a "Get-married week."

"In certain Hungarian villages," we read in one of those odd items tucked in a corner of a newspaper, "all men more than 18 years of age and able to maintain a family have been ordered to get married within two months."

Now, this is rather crude, although doubtless effectual as the springtime in turning thoughts to love. But in America is growing up a disinclination to legislate people into a higher plane of life.

Nerving one's self up to the point of willingness to marry is an intricate and time-consuming task. In many instances, though one heart may beat fast and hot, the accelerator on the necessary other heart is not working.

Mr. Bryan's few kind words to the effect that the debtor should not be squeezed by the deflation process might easily become the main plank of his platform. There have been political parties made up of the debtor class before this, and the man who has borrowed 50-cent dollars and now has to return 100-cent dollars is naturally resentful.

An alligator with a six-foot smile is to be the new White House pet. The Roosevelt pony, Tait's famous cow, Pauline, and Wilson's flock of lawn mowing sheep would have made excellent playmates for their successor.

The old cat in the Postoffice department that will not lose its home when the new administration comes in has less need of new lives than have human officeholders.

A Line O' Type or Two

How to the Line, let the quips fall where they may. JAMES DE FUSEAU. On the Boul. and the Ave. by the score is the flapper. Knee-skirted, curt skirted, bedizened, and dapper.

Though the tinkle and tinkle of bothersome buckles Elloit from wafarers illicit chuckles. Still the tapper flops on, not unwilling to show How poorly galeons fit James de fuseau.

There are numerous styles of this James Archi tecture, As to which I can make but a futile conjecture. There's "Mission Style," "Two-by-Four," "Pick-ick," and "Bour."

WATCHING the play, "At the Villa Rose," our thoughts wandered back to "Prince Otto," in which piece we first saw this skinner.

WHAT is a story? To us it is drama first, operating on character. To Conrad it is character first, being operated on by drama.

Speaking of Riddle Bones— Sir: A weak-minded family, without funds, goes back to first principles and buries its dead in the back yard.

THE THOUSAND AND ONE AFTERNOONS. IX. "Yes, I exist," said Valentine (the fair Saidoe continued), "but something in your voice tells me that I have no good reason for further existence, for I no longer please you."

"I WILL not be responsible for any debts contracted only by myself," advertises Mr. Barker of Gary, who appears to have no confidence in his shopping ability.

With Pleasure. Sir: If Mr. Coco has been officially installed as Head, may I not nominate Mr. M. K. Hatter, the clothier at North English, Iowa, as his Grand Sovereign Keeper of Kelves, C. A. D.

SOME sort of jape or jingle might be chiseled from the fact that Lot Stry and Ida Smart were married 't'other day in York, Ia.

My Dear Mrs. Stark: I noticed in The Capital that you said my picture "In the Heart of a Fool" was the worst picture you ever saw.

Wanted—Breast milk; must be on west side. 68101. CAESAR was "conscious of a precise effort which exaggerates the ego," else he might have said: "Me veni, me vidi, me vici."

An Arkansas Optimist. Cheer up! All is not lost. Civilization, we admit, has been sorely cramped, but the world is dotted with many Christian nations—and a few Christians.—Hartford Observer.

How to Keep Well

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

EATING TOO MUCH SUGAR. If a person eats too much sugar and starch and keeps it up for a long time he generally is called on to pay the penalty by becoming obese, developing diabetes, or raising crops of boils and carbuncles.

When Milk Fattens. Miss Willie W. writes: "I. Is milk fattening? 2. How much milk must one drink in order to get fat?"

Buttermilk is Nourishing. V. R. writes: "1. Is buttermilk good for a t. b.? 2. When is one an arrested case? 3. Will glycerine cause the face to burn? My pulse and temperature are normal."

When Liver "Hardens." H. M. writes: "1. What causes bilious attacks? 2. What is cirrhosis of the liver?"

HEARST'S MAGAZINE—A LIBERAL EDUCATION. THE Man Who Shot the Fox. I Keep Going to Jail. Snow-Blind. Is a Wife a Slave? Betting With Your Daily Bread. The Master of Man. What About Red Hair.



OUT of the RED RAYS— THERE building itself up—in those livid colorings was a ghost-like form— Netta Mansfield—writhing, her head pulled back, across her mouth a cloth, her wrists twisting vainly to escape from spectral hands emanating from Ahmed Hassan's body.

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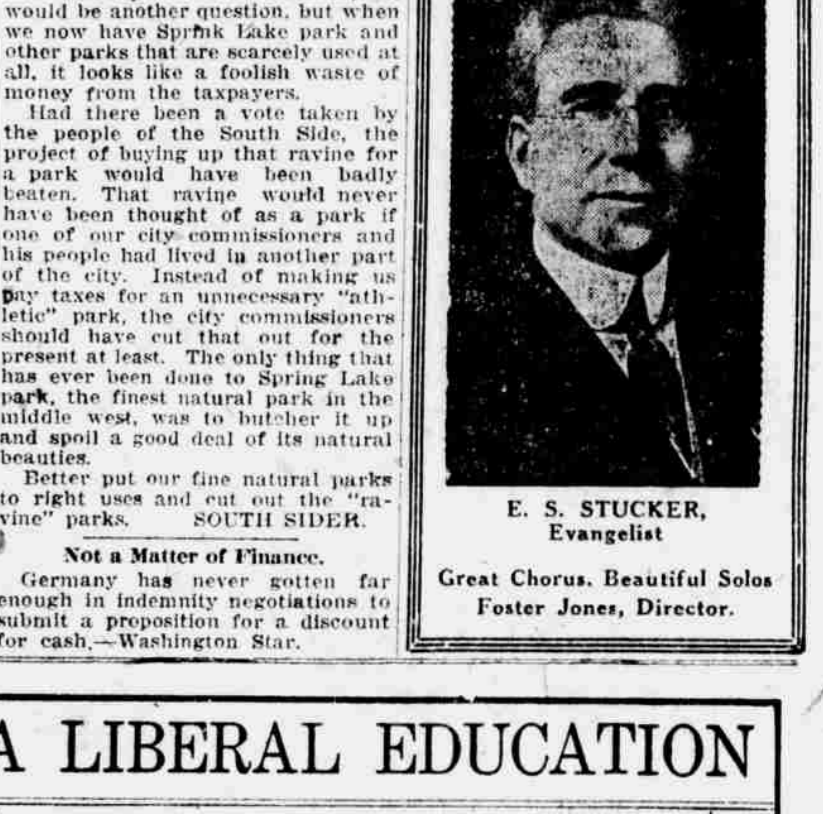
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The Bee's Letter Box

Opposes Athletic Park Plan. Omaha, Feb. 19.—To the Editor of The Bee:—As a resident of the South Side, I would like to ask why it was considered necessary in these stringent times to buy the park that extends from Twenty-third and L streets to about Thirtieth and O streets?

Not a Matter of Finance. Germany has never gotten far enough in indemnity negotiations to submit a proposition for a discount for cash.—Washington Star.

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