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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.
- 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.

The Case of Judge Landis.

The house judiciary committee undoubtedly felt justified in dismissing the Welty application for the impeachment of Kenesaw Mountain Landis. Its intention of doing so was manifest by the narrow scope given the inquiry. This is regrettable, for the meat of the matter was not exposed. However, the waters had been so muddied by the injection of extraneous issues that the house committee evidently did not feel like opening up a way to an unprofitable consideration of many things that have no bearing on the head of the judge's offending. Holding Mr. Welty to consideration of matters susceptible in support of the "high crimes and misdemeanors" charge, the inquiry was closely restricted and the only decision possible under the circumstances

This will not remove the strong impression, so largely held, that the action of Judge Landis in trying to serve two masters, at least to the extent of drawing two pay checks from different paymasters, is wrong. No written law forbids him, but some sense of obligation higher than the expression of a statute should restrain him. The fabric of the law is made up of precedent; in the examination of any case records are searched, the inquiry frequently going back over centuries, to discover some previous act or decision to support a particular view, or to bolster up the reasoning by which a conclusion is reached. To maintain the stream in its purity, the greatest care is exercised by the higher courts, and much time is taken by superior judges in correcting the errors of the inferior, thus cleansing the current of the law from those mistakes which come in from the hasty or illconsidered opinions rendered in the lower tribunals. Thus does the "sweet reasonableness" of the law maintain itself, and thus does the effort to sustain the truth commend its object to its followers, and through them to the people.

When a judge is deliberately guilty of something that must appear to him as a dangerous thing to do, because of the possibilities that may flow from its effect, even though his action be within the written law, he has committed a violence against the institution of which he is charged with the duty of defending. Judge Landis himself may be of such fine quality of mental and moral makeup that the acceptance of pay from the base ball magnates will not affect him in his relations to the public, and his service to the one may never interfere with his duty to the other. But he is providing precedent that will surely broaden, and in time may produce such evil as will do great damage to the public, by introducing confusion, disorder, and even corruption into our courts. His action is in the finality subversive of the theory at least on which our judicial system rests.

The statute law does not take cognizance of his course as offensive, very likely because the framers of the Constitution of the United States and the laws under if did not conceive that a federal judge would ever be found in the position now occupied by Judge Landis. Frequently what is not forbidden by the letter of the law is forbidden by its spirit, and this consideration should have full weight in the present instance. Quibbles and sophistry will not avail to discharge him of the offense of accepting private employment that may interfere with his duty to the people as a judge.

Daugherty and His Critics.

The name of Harry M. Daugherty, selected by Mr. Harding to be attorney general of the United States after the 4th-of March, shocks the brethren of the late lamented democratic party. We will admit at the outset that many objections have been raised against Mr. Daugherty, but always by political opponents, factional or partisan. Mr. Harding knew him well before the campaign, he trusted him, and he has invited him into his cabinet because he does have confidence in him. This ought to at least satisfy the critics, especially those who defended Woodrow Wilson in his successive choice of McReynolds, Gregory and Palmer to fill the office. No charge will be made against Mr. Daugherty's appointment, because of his fitness, that might not have been brought against either of his immediate predecessors in the office, and we teel almost certain that he will be guilty of no graver mistakes and blunders than have followed the administration of the Department of Justice through the last eight years. This may not be a very good defense of the choice made by Mr. Harding in the selection of his attorney general, yet it should serve to secure for him the consideration demanded by the democrats for the men Woodrow Wilson set over the law machinery of the United States.

Education in a Republic.

To fit a man to perform wisely, justly and magaminously all the duties, both public and private, of peace and war was the aim of education as declared by John Milton. In a democracy such as America this is even more accurately true than in the England of Milton's day.

In the light of this ultimate object, public epinion will support the declaration made by a schoolmaster in Omaha that there is danger in teaching boys and girls how to earn money rather than how to live. There is room, certainly, for fundamental training that will fit children for useful and practical industrial life, Sunday.

but this must never encroach on instruction in the other duties of citizenship.

That one is an excellent clerk or mechanic or a prosperous business man is no assurance that he is a good citizen. There is too much emphasis on efficiency in production and too little on efficiency in consumption and in allaround citizenship.

In the Harding Cabinet.

Following the announcement that Charles Evans Hughes had been chosen to be his secretary of state, and that Harry M. Daugherty would be given the place of attorney general, Mr. Harding now makes public the list of men he has selected to be his personal advisers and executive heads of the several departments of the government. With the possible exception of James J. Davis, assigned to the Department of Labor, all are well known to the public and have given services of such eminence as fairly entitles them to the respect of all.

The selection of Andrew Mellon of Pittsburgh for the important office of secretary of the treasury may be taken as an indication that the coming president fully realizes the burden that will be laid on the exchequer during his term. Free and easy methods of financing, following the line of least resistance and levying taxes as well as making loans on the basis of expediency, such as has characterized the democratic administration of the Treasury department, have produced a muddle that calls for the most skillful handling. Mr. Mellon brings both banking and general business experience of high order to the tremendous task assigned him. He is understood to be thoroughly in favor of the budget system of national expenditures, and to have some definite ideas concerning the general business of financing the country's affairs along lines that will bring better results. One of the jobs waiting his consideration is that of refunding the present indebtedness, so as to consolidate the various issues, equalizing their terms and providing for the retirement of the bonds in order and with the least disturbance to business.

As to Messrs. Hays and Daugherty, it will undoubtedly be charged, and with some reason, that they were selected because of their political services. Admitting that, it remains true that they are well fitted for the work set before them. Each is an organizer of proved ability, capable of handling big affairs, and this quality is something the nation sorely needs. To Mr. Hays will be given the job of getting the postal service out of the hole into which it has been plunged by Albert Sidney Burleson. He will have to restore the morale of the service, get its working forces back into line, re-establish harmony and so secure efficiency. This is no light undertaking, and success in its accomplishment will set Will H. Hays well out in front. Something similar awaits the attorney general prospective, who will find a department pretty well demoralized through incompetence and indifference.

Henry Wallace will bring to the Department of Agriculture all the equipment promised by James M. Cox. when he talked of putting a "real dirt farmer" at the head of that great department. Mr. Wallace knows the farm and the farmer; he is familiar with the needs of agriculture, for he comes from the great farming region of the west, and his understanding of the problems of the industry and their possible solution will be of immense value in the service the government can perform in the way of help to the food producers of the land. Weeks for the army and Denby for the navy are equally happy selections. Hoover for commerce and Fall for the interior are instances of fitness recognized

Davis for the Department of Labor may be accepted as not being identified with one or the other of the opposing groups. As the head of a great secret organization he has shown capacity that should enable him to manage the business that will come to him; as a former iron worker, and a one-time member of the union, he is expected to exhibit a sympathetic understanding of the labor viewpoint, while his present status as a banker gives him some insight into the problems of the employer. He may develop into the happy solution sought by the president.

Picking Our Own Pockets.

Well, well, this looks much like taking the money out of the pockets of the people," some one remonstrated to a French financier of two

"But where do you wish me to get it from?" was the reply.

The same colloquy might occur today with taxation as the subject. No plan officially proposed suggests any way of obtaining funds to carry on the government without taking them out of the people's pockets. Hope of relief exists only through the fact that there are other drains on the purse that might be diminished. Benjamin Franklin, writing as Poor Richard, told of a crowd discussing the economic conditions in 1757, in which some one asked, "Won't these heavy taxes quite ruin the country? How shall we ever be able to pay them?"

An old man replied, according to Poor

The taxes indeed are very heavy; and if those laid by the government were the only ones we had to pay, we might the more easily much more grievous to some of us. We are taxed twice as much by our Idleness, three times as much by our Pride, and four time as much by our Folly; and from these taxes the commissioners can not ease or deliver us by an abatement. However, let us harken to good advice, and something may be done for us. God helps them that help themselves.

Such idleness as there is today is largely involuntary, but the economic waste is inherent, nevertheless. The best news that comes is that of automobile factories and other mills starting their wheels again. Pride and folly are things within individual control, and less of each in those of high or of low position would represent a propitiatory sacrifice on the national altar.

The common impression that lightning red salesmen were naturally fitted to sell blue sky stock is questioned by the assertion of an insurance man who declares that "the place of greatest safety for man and beast as well as for our material asset is a well-rodded building." What have the scientists to say to this?

The army aviator whose plane broke down in the desert was no better off than the balloonists as far as a round-trip ticket is con-

Do those moral authorities who favor removing the rouge from the face of the feminine community advocate using sandpaper or filing it off?

Thus far the legislature has not been asked to pass a law forbidding citizens to die on

A Line O' Type or Two

IMMUTABLE,

Take your Main Street, then. You novelists. Work your will on it. Exchange the carpenter's hammer For the steam shovel and electric crane; Send aloft the riveters To loose their metallic racket. Then transplant it to the coast; Lay at its foot

Tribute from the Seven Seas: Bring foreigners to clean and police it. Still up and down, up and down, In and out of the shops, theaters. ecture halls, what-nots, that line it, Will pass the endless procession STONE PHIZ. Of hicks and rubes.

WE have on hand a column of favorite wish somebody would put the tooththe only reason we have not printed them is the preponderance of our own stuff. Naturally, or not, we are better amused by the wheezes of contributors. Frexample the following evoked a short while we will have a new lady

"ON the train running into Tulsa," wrote a ing be sure enough of her position gadder, "a native was fooling with the roller to set a toothpicking example for the curtain, when suddenly it flew up with a snap. He looked bewildered, stuck his head out of the window, and finally said to himself, 'Well, I care. In explaining this, Traby King window, and finally said to himself, 'Well, I care. In explaining this, Truby King reckon that's the last they'll see of that derued said one of the most powerful fac-

Music Notes.

(From the Honolulu Commercial-Advertiser.) Mr. Peter Kalhuhf, the noted baritone leader of Dude Miller's Glee Club, has opened up a groceteria store at the munici-

(From the Hutchinson, Minn., Herald.) R. Aisenbrey's name does not appear in the list of band members on the concert programs for the reason that he has gone to Minneapolis to take a course in em-balming which will cause his absence for about six weeks.

THE London Mercury criticises the poo workmanship of the war medals issued by the object to the ordinary wooden toothgovernment, and the general technique of the pick, because splinters occasionally Mint. Which reminds us of a United States get under the gum margins, cent of 1795 which Doc Nummus of the proof cent of 1795 which Doc Nummus of the proof room was telling us about. It is extremely rare sults they would be willing to stand behind ordinary wooden toothpicks. and valuable because the word 'liberty" appears or gold ones, if that could be made

CAMOUFLAGE, EH, WATSON? Sir: Esplied in Cedar Rapids: "This room will be occupied by Mme. Fein, the French millinery designer, who for many years has been operating as the Schultz Millinery." W. S.

PEARSALL SMITH has fately published a book entitled "Trivia," part of which is as light- bacteria. To remove this food nothwaisted as the information that Margaret Pickel ing is so effective as dental floss or of St. Louis entertained Edna Sauer last week. ordinary THANKS FOR THE HYPHEN.

Sir: I am in receipt of a communication from Know-les & Doolittle, attorneys at River Falls, Wis. B. M. S.

THE indestructo Awning Co. has a sign reading, "Better awnings cost no more," and tions that really are harmful to the Helen writes that she got it the third time. But, health of an ordinary person, also my dear, you should have got it at once.

THE THOUSAND AND ONE AFTERNOONS. XI.

Naturally (continued the fair Saidee) the spirit of romance works more powerfully in one all diseases would require a column, unaccustomed to it than in one who, like my As a rule work is healthy, healthier unaccustomed to it than in one who, like my brother, had traveled and enjoyed adventures than loading. The average man or in all parts of the world. Therefore the effect of the pink shirt on the prosaic importer was as potent as hashish would have been. No sooner had he seen the shirt, as I have said, than he decident than if he or she were unemportant than it he or she were unemportant than it he or she were unemportant than it has a large than loaning. The average woman loaning. The average woman loaning. The average woman loaning is a contained to the contained than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning is a large than loaning is a large than loaning. The average woman loaning is a large than loaning is sired to wear it; no sooner had he put it on, ployed. Of course, there are certain than he desired to roam the thoroughfares of occupations that are more hazardous Chicago, which hitherto he had considered unworthy of inspection; and no sooner had he left trades in which the workers breathe the hotel than the city became as enchanting as very dusty air or inhate harmful samarcand, and the most commonplace man in the chemical fumes. Likewise those success is just ordinary vascline, and the most commonplace man in the chemical fumes. the world was as ripe for adventure as a First trades are harmful in which the or Second Calender. He had not walked many workers are exposed to extremes of minutes when a cluster of electric lights before minutes when a cluster of electric lights before heat and cold. As a rule the health-lest trades are those in which the travaganza called 'Bagdad,' and presently he was work is done in the open air. I apamong the audience. Before this experience he had thought of the Orient as a place from which spices were imported, but now he realized was gay with singing houris, only a little more dazzling than the women in the chairs about him, and he was the only member of the audience who regretted the drop of the curtain. When he left the playhouse it occurred to him, for the first time in his drab existence, that a midnight supper would round out an evening of unexampled pleasure, so he turned into a cafe in which were a great many lights, a great many people, and a great deal of music from a band. The head waiter gave him one glance and then seated him at a table behind a post, but hard by there was a larger table at which a fat man, whose neck overflowed his collar, was entertain ing three miracles of female loveliness. It seemed to Mr. Weatherwax, as his eyes fell upon these radiant creatures, that nature had quite outdone herself and that further effort could result only in an anticlimax. As he gazed blinkingly at their dazzling beauty the cork from a bottle of champagne which their waiter was opening slipped from the menial's fingers and took Mr Weatherwax squarely upon the nose. The three beauties laughed until they fell backward when he clapped a hand to his smarting feature and took up dazedly the small, projectile, but he counted the bombardment a fortunate accident when the most radiant of the trio (if one could be said to be more effulgent than another) dispatched their male companion to Mr. Weatherwax with the request that he join them in a glass of the champagne and bury his injured nose in the bubbles of the wine.

A RUNAWAY damsel on whose trail bloodhounds are baying spent the night, reports the Lexington, Ky., Herald, "with fiends in Georgetown." Beneath, we surmise, a waning moon.

IN A WORD, NO. Sir: Would it interest you to know that Byrne & Speed are coal dealers in Louisville, Ky.? G. N. L.

THE membership committee of the Academy has received numerous protests against the admission of Charles Ranck, the skunk trapper of Ellsworth, Neb., and J. K. Garlick, the "practical horseshoer" of Sublette, Ill.

Pre-Dry Wheezes. Sir: I wonder if you could find space for my favorite pre-dry wheeze as No. 2 in the Field Museum? Recumbent One (in gutter): "Shay, mishter, help me up, will yuh?" The Other: "Can't help yuh up, but'll lay down beshide with."

ATTRACTED by the somewhat conspicuous sign, "Tribune Plant," F. P. would like some of the seed, so that he may raise his own Tribunes: while another reader has been struggling for some time with a wheeze about the bugs that attack the Tribune Plant.

O Wad Indeed! O wad some power the gifti gie 'em To see their legs as others see 'em'.
It wad frae monie a short skirt free 'em, And foolish notion That toothpicks and plane legs

Inspire devotion. NOT to be outdone by Iowa bards, Mr. Glackin has introduced in the Illinois senate a bill appropriating money for a statue to Gen. Sheridan, with this prelude:

"Hurrah, hurrah for Sheridan! Hurrah, hurrah for horse and man! And when their statues are placed on high Under the dome of the Union sky-" WHAT the Allies need is the "international revenue collector" mentioned by the Bank of

Clemons, Iowa. ADD SINGS OF SPRING. (From the Omaha World-Herald.) Female cinnamon color canary wants to

mate. Walnut 1936. AUGUSTE COMTE listed 558 men and women who could be considered great in the history of the world. An English writer, strik- for the price and a guarantee that ing from the list names that he had never heard assures complete satisfaction. Low of before, arrives at the "astounding fact" that since the dawn of history fewer than 350 great men have lived. We too are astounded. We lity supreme-cash or terms. had no notion there were so many. B. L. T.

High Cost of Greatness.

Coolidge says that "great men are the am-bassadors of Providence," but only a few of them get much more out of it than a living; and like the American ambassadors to foreign countrie,s, they generally have to pay their own rent .-- Florida Times-Union.

Questions concerning hygiene, sanita-tion and prevention of disease, subtion and prevention of disease, sub-mitted 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 The Bee. Copyright, 1921, by Dr. W. A. Evans.

WHO WILL SPONSOR TOOTHPICKS?

For three days I have been in an imosphere of preventive dentistry. am convinced that poor teeth are oringing us considerable ill health this I emerge to again remark I

have done it. On a later occasion it in the White House, Will Mrs. Hard-

New Zealand has a reputation the tors was the leadership of Mrs. Governor General and the society women of her group. They made it fashonable to have babies, to talk about babies and to keep babies healthy and strong. Who will make it fash-ionable to keep the teeth clean?

In keeping the teeth clean the renoval of food products is more imortant than brushing. The dentists advocate the use of dental floss or ordinary thread. They say it removes the food debris with less harm to the gums than does any kind of toothpick. They are willing to endorse the quill toothpick. They do the fashion

Decay of teeth is the result of Likewise pyorrhea is a result of germ action. All food particles left in the spaces between the teeth serve as nests and food supplies for these sewing thread, if floss is not available.

Question Is Too Vague.

eases. Name some of the occupasome that are the reverse."

Your commission is a large one for a small space. To say very much on the general subject of occupationoccupations that are more hazardous preciate that these are very general statements, but your question was a very general one. I would be pleased to answer questions as to particular occupations as far as information is

When Sleeper Walks. Mrs. E. L. M. writes: "I noticed an article on somnambulists in your column and you asked if any one had experience with the trouble and at what hour of the night it was most prevalent. I have had a sleep walker in my family and always have found the restlessness to begin at about an hour after he gets into his first sleep. It makes no differ-ence at what hour he retires, in about an hour he begins to talk and walk. Since the removal of ade nolds and tonsils, the walking has nearly ceased, but he still talks great deal in his sleep."

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Mrs. H. writes: "Kindly advise n as to my son's condition. He is 17 years old, 5 feet in height, weighs 140 pounds, and attends high school. Three years ago, after an was pronounced tubercular, in the



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How to Keep Well The Bee's Letter Box

Omaha, Feb. 21.—To the Editor of The Bee: In the issue of February 17, 1921, of the World-Herald there appeared an article in which was contained an interview with one Mr. minded institution, and while it tory canada heads the list of as Byrn, a special agent at Omaha, unier the Department of Justice. In
that interview as reported by
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substance welcomed it to Nebraska, late world war, that liberty of con-I take it that Mr. Byrn received his appointment at the hands of some one, in the service of the genincapacity and discomfort. From eral government. It is, therefore, exist in this government. reasonable to presume that he voices the sentiment of his superior officer.

To this organization, "The Kall san that their case and customs forthe sentiment of his superior officer. Klan," I will say, "Avannt, bid their being attended by a male Dick into good society.

In this cancetion let me say a few thou pestiverous pole-cat, you are physician it is said that 90 let words to your many readers, as I not wanted on Nebraska soil." am confident they wish to be fully in-formed as to this organization, its

origin, history and purposes.

I believe I am in a good position to give a detailed record in this con-nection, in view of the fact that I was born near the Blue Ridge mountains of Tennessee, where this Ku Klux Klan had its birth in 1868. It was born in the dark, had dark lanterns as its gulding star and its members were dark-lantern conspirators and race haters. Bigotry brought it into existence and it fed and nour-ished upon it until 1871, when President Grant had ordered the United States army to suppress and anni-

In this connection, memory carries me back to my boyhood days while on a farm in those old Blue Ridge mountains, when a committee of this un-American organization waited on my father at 12 o'clock at night with masked faces and or-dered my father, under the penalty of death, to discharge a poor honest negro who was in his employ, and whose only offense was that he was being educated in the Roman Catholic faith. Father was forced to dis-charge this poor, unfortunate exin order to save his own life

and that of his family.
By their fruits you shall know! them, "from thistles and thorns you gather grapes." Why, then should this homogeneous community e disturbed by the introduction and ncouragement of an organization he object and purpose of which is to arraign neighbor against neighbor, on account of race and religion. Such an organization as this

first stage. I sent him to the mountains for two years and he was prenounced cured. He never has coughed, but raises sputum con-B. M. D. writes: "Please print stantly. He sleeps and eats well. Where can I have sputum ex-REPLY.

Take it to the city laboratories. Have several specimens examined.

Sure Cure for Seven-Year Itch. Mrs. J. N. writes: "Take a plec of lard the size of an egg and add two teaspoonful of sabadela powder. Mix well. Grease the itch-ing parts. One application should be sufficient."

REPLY. If this falls, use the itch killers according to the army plan.

Simple Remedy for Itch. E. A. N. wrtes: "For the benefit of many sufferers from winter itch plied lightly night and morning. Have recommended it to a number of suf-



- Micholas L.V. NICHOLAS OIL COMPANY

MUCH IN LITTLE.

Experimenters in New Zealand have succeeded in producing pig-iron on a commercial scale from iron Canada heads the list of asheste

the hast English steam coal. creed, should prevail; that no discrete, should prevail; that no discrete, should prevail; that no discrete and discrete a medical care whatever, for the reaphysician. It is said that 90 per-cent of the women and girls of 1n-ED F. MOREARTY. dia never saw a doctor or nurse.

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