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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.

Omaha's Building Campaign. This is the building season. Omaha needs all the homes that can be erected between now and another winter. These are two self-evident facts. Another self-evident fact is that there will be little or no building unless costs are reduced.

Postoffice Shows Nation's Growth. Appropriation of \$500,000,000 for the postal service for the fiscal year of 1922 is to be contrasted with that of \$50,000,000 for the same department in 1885. In thirty-five years the cost of the service has increased ten times.

Russia's Latest Revolt. While much of mystery still surrounds the latest revolution in Russia, at least with regard to its origin and the forces behind it, enough is known to warrant the belief that Lenin and Trotsky, with their soviet regime, are threatened seriously at home.

Burleson and the Civil Service. Anticipating the change in administration, the late postmaster general undertook to forestall a raid on the list of postmasterships he had to turn over to his successor. He prepared a showing as to the extent to which he had observed the merit system, and by producing a number of republicans filling positions under the Postoffice department, he paved the way for a protest on part of civil service reformers.

Mexican railway employes may strike, but even this is an improvement over a revolution. Liberty bonds may be low in Wall street, but they are in good demand among the burglars. The married man's revenge—the bill to tax bachelors in Montana \$3 each.

was not until March 31, 1917, that Mr. Wilson emitted the order which the civil service reformers now fear President Harding will revoke.

Allied Occupation of Germany. Lloyd George says that occupation of certain German industrial centers by the Allies will begin today. This should force the issue of reparations and indemnity to a conclusion.

Whether such a move will have the effect of increasing production and inclining the German mind to a more tolerant consideration of the indemnity program of the Allies is uncertain.

Criticism of Dr. Simons for his handling of the mission to London is bitter, tinged with a suggestion that better arrangements may be made.

Harding Shaved Himself. An exemplar of democracy, of the simplicity of life, the president of the United States shaved himself on the morning of his inauguration.

WE observe in the Tulsa World a picture of Rudolf Ganz, with the description, "The Jay Gould of the Piano." STRANGE, INDEED!

Sir: Why is it that every time a residence bomb explodes some one or two are blown out of bed? The walls don't fall and the shock seems to center on the bed.

Could I but sing as sweetest bird. A sparkling note for every word. Your name would be the song you heard.

Could I but write in metre true, My theme would be, both old and new, The wondrous charm I find in you.

That a mob tried to assassinate the president of Panama who wished to settle the dispute with Costa Rica peaceably instead of going to war introduces one instance in which the theory that the common people never would vote for war is disproved.

A Line O' Type or Two

How to the Liss, let the quips fall where they may. MISTER TOBIN. A gentle, kindly man is he. The soul of gentleness.

Those noble boys and girls decay. The prishful use of "It is I." If you should ask "Who was with her?" They'd answer simply, "It was me."

The landlord in the Beg-Your-Pardon department who declared that rents are "not too reasonable," has executed a good deal of frivolous content.

NO, AND THERE NEVER WAS. Sir: Cigarette smoke at the breakfast table is very offensive to me. With an indifferent appetite, a hot, steaming plate of sizzling bacon and steaming Java is impotent in the presence of an odor of cheap tobacco and burning paper.

OUR LANDSCAPES ARE NICE AND FRESH TODAY. Sir: Mother in department store making inquiries regarding sources of oil paintings: "Does your buyer purchase private collections?"

THE THOUSAND AND ONE AFTERNOONS. XXIV.—Story of the Bellhop. "In all my experience," said the Police Captain, "I have never been so diverted as by the adventures of this same pink shirt."

TO YOU I SING PERFECTLY WELL WHO MARY. Could I but sing as sweetest bird. A sparkling note for every word.

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IF Iris is alludin' to us we say, Thanks, lady, for the ad. ANOTHER WIDE FIELD. Sir: Just a passing word to inform I've given up my old system of naming baking systems.

AND so begins what may be known as the Era of Normacy. B. L. T. Old Time Form. According to a Chicago message, the world's record for long distance crowing is claimed by Rock Island, Ill., for a cock whose crow can be heard 600 miles away.

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.

A TIP FOR MR. GRIFFITH. Mr. D. W. Griffith: In your picture, "Way Down East," there is one thing I wish you would change. If you cannot change it, please make another picture of that part of that scene where a man rescues a girl, thinly clad, on an ice floe headed for the falls.

There is more than one reason for this request, Mr. Griffith. You have a genius for exact detail. A man wrapped in a heavy fur coat is considerably handicapped when it comes to picking up a woman and jumping around ice floes in a snowstorm.

Raw Milk Probable Cause. V. A. B. writes: "What causes tuberculosis in newborn babies? Is it possible for a woman to bear such children and be free from it herself?"

Nature Does the Work. J. A. B. writes: "Occasionally I should like to wash out my nasal cavities to free them from dust collections, etc., and to aid nature in overcoming a cold."

Many Ointments Help. K. M. writes: "I have what is called a varicose ulcer inside my right ankle, following a fall down stairs a few years ago."

INGROWN TOE NAIL TURNS OUT ITSELF. A noted authority says that a few drops of "Outgro" upon the skin surrounding the ingrowing nail reduces inflammation and pain.

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The Bee's Letter Box

Who Pays for the War? Omaha, March 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: The committee had gathered to fix the tax for the expenses of the war.

The chairman said: "Just how can this tax be levied? We, of course, do not want to bear any of it." The others eagerly acquiesced. "How could it be done?" After some serious contemplation, one member rose to suggest that it be levied on all except those who worked for the government.

There are a few cases of congenital tuberculosis. The more likely explanation is infection through drinking raw milk from tuberculosis cows. It is interrupted with hisses and cries, and the law was put through with a rush before some other foolish member might take pity on the ones who did not work for the government.

A Mighty King Has Fallen. Sabula, Ia., March 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: I was the mightiest king that ever lived; when I reigned, other kings yielded to me as a child to its sire.

Down on the Farm. "How does Farmer Jones take it now that cider is illegal?" "Oh, he takes it hard."—American Legion Weekly.

Hoover Suction Sweepers. The housewife's first aid in spring housecleaning should be a Hoover Suction Sweeper. Carpets, Curtains, Draperies and Upholstered Furniture thoroughly cleaned in a few minutes.

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