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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.

Farmers Seeking a Square Deal.

The National Farmers' Union has by resolution asked congress to make an investigation and report on "what is wrong with agriculture."

The Fort Crook Road.

As the situation stands today, the only hope of paving the road through Sarpy county from Omaha to Fort Crook lies in favorable action by the lower house of the state legislature upon the senate's proposal to include in the general appropriation bill an item for partial payment of the cost.

A Useful Life Closed.

When Marc G. Perkins answered the summons of Death, a life of real usefulness was suddenly brought to a close. Unassuming and unostentatious, without flourish of trumpets or flamboyant advertising, Marc Perkins went quietly about the business of publishing a newspaper.

"Setting" With Colombia.

The ratification of the treaty with Colombia, whereby this government will pay to that country \$25,000,000 in settlement for a "claim" arising out of the Panama situation, will meet general approval in the central west.

Revenge of Nature.

Fashion has a calendar all its own, but against the decrees of nature it cannot hold, and those who run counter to the standard almanac often end their career in grief.

winds of summer, warmed by the glitter of the sun, it would not have been apparent, but nature has a way, now and then, of stripping humanity of its pretence and reasserting its laws.

Home Rule for Omaha.

Once more the desirable goal of home rule is within the reach of Omaha citizens. Governor McKelvie has signed the charter bill, passed by the legislature, and the mayor has announced that he will present the resolution calling for an election in June by which the voters can finally determine to take the government of the city entirely into their own hands.

Perhaps it is unnecessary at this time to refer to any of the causes that have in the past operated to prevent Omaha enjoying the boon of home rule. The outstanding point is that if the voters so will, it will never again be necessary for the community to appeal to the state for permission to do things that affect its own affairs.

With the government of the city wholly within the keeping of its citizens, its private business no longer the concern of the state at large, Omaha will at least be responsible for what is done by the city administration. The Bee believes the citizens are wholly competent to look after their own business, and for this reason has steadfastly championed home rule.

The Vice of Self-Pity.

As the college commencement season approaches, it may not be amiss to tell the prospective graduate that education will not give him a sight draft on the world for a good living. The world owes no person a living, educated or not, until he has earned it.

House Roll No. 617.

It does not suffice for opponents of House Roll No. 617, known as an anti-picketing bill, to cry it down simply because certain labor leaders are against it and some employers for it.

Men are usually friendly enough on the street, but let them become brothers in a lodge and the chances are they will discover unsuspected facilities for picking a quarrel with each other.

Secretary Fall seems to have misread American psychology quite as badly as did our late enemies in the war, and can expect as little success with his oil crusade.

Waste no doubt exists in the railroad business, but it is one of the few in which the public is frankly expected to make up the deficit through higher rates.

The American squadron that has been hanging around the Adriatic has left, and still things are no better or worse.

The heavy last-minute registration of Omaha women must indicate that they have it in for some candidate.

Judging by international developments, pouring oil on troubled waters only makes matters worse.

Some scenes in the legislature would make good moving pictures.

That loud thud was caused by the drop in paving costs.

America's international relations are mostly poor ones.

No Neglect of Soldier Dead

Bodies Returned From France Get Careful Attention at New York.

(From the New York Times.)
Denials of Owen Wister's assertion that unclaimed bodies of soldier dead were piled at the Hoboken piers and that "many go to Potter's Field" were made the other day by army officers in charge of the Graves Registration bureau at Hoboken, and also by officials of the American Legion.

"The American Legion will never allow the body of a returned soldier to be sent to Potter's Field," declared Col. F. W. Galbraith, jr., national commander of the veteran's organization, who added a word or two of brusque soldier language to emphasize his meaning.

"If the army for any reason could not take care of unclaimed bodies the American Legion would see that every one had an honorable burial, and, if necessary, the veterans would spend their last dollars to finish the task.

"The only complaint we have had is that bodies freighted to the relatives of the dead soldiers without sufficient advance notice of their coming, and we have taken this up several times with the War department in Washington. Relatives who desire the return of their soldier dead ought to have some notice so that they could prepare to receive the body and make funeral arrangements. The officials who handle these cases don't seem to realize that the body of a soldier is a sacred thing."

Explaining that the legion had not taken any stand for or against the return of the soldier dead, Colonel Galbraith expressed his personal opinion as being in favor of leaving the dead in France. Similar opinions have been expressed by General Pershing, Maj. Gen. O'Rourke of the Twenty-seventh division, and many other soldiers, as well as by the late Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, who wrote General March that he and Mrs. Roosevelt preferred to have the body of their son Quentin remain where he fell on the field of battle.

"It is wonderful thing to allow the body to remain where the soldier fell," said Colonel Galbraith, "but it is up to the relatives to say what they shall do with their dead. It may lighten the sorrow of their sacrifice for some mothers to have their sons buried near at home in their native state."

One was the body of John Harrian, a soldier taken into the army at Racine, Wis., in 1917, whose brother requested the return of the body. Aided by the American Legion, the American Red Cross and postmasters, the Graves Registration bureau traced this brother through the west and rail route to the Pacific coast, so that the body could be returned to the family.

The other body was that of J. W. Kelly of the Eighth infantry, who enlisted in Rockford, Ill., and whose only known relative was Thomas W. Kelly, last traced to Butte, Mont. Failing to trace the brother from Butte and having a suitable time, the Graves Registration bureau will send the body to the National cemetery, where it will be buried with full military honors.

"Of the 75,882 who perished in Europe either on the battlefields or from other causes, we have had requests for the bodies of 45,000," said Captain Shannon. "We expect to bring back 6,000 or 7,000 more before the end of May, and unless other requests are made the remainder of the bodies for which relatives have asked will be returned by November."

"We sometimes have a good deal of trouble in finding the relatives, who frequently change their addresses after sending in the request for the return of the bodies, and who fail to notify us of their changes. The instant general and efficient co-operation from postmasters, police officers, the American Legion, the American Red Cross and other agencies in hunting the new addresses of relatives, and we are doing our best."

Self-pity ought to be set down as one of the greatest of sins. It is responsible not only for the failure to retrieve the initial failure, to make good after a defeat, but for spreading the contagious disease of pessimism and despondency among others.

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 the address envelopes enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnoses or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee. Copyright, 1921, by Dr. W. A. Evans

SCARLET FEVER WARNING.

If a child is taken sick rather suddenly, vomits, complains of headache, and has fever the probability is that some form of infection is manifesting itself. Not infrequently oncoming infection causes convulsions. A case which starts with convulsions is not necessarily one of meningitis, or infantile paralysis, or their infection of the nervous system. This system merely means that the poison of the disease is affecting the nervous system to a considerable degree. Nor do convulsions at the initial symptoms of the case will prove to be a severe one. The fact is that convulsions, as an onset symptom in a child, cause more alarm than they are worth.

If a rash develops within 24 hours after the beginning of the fever the probable diagnosis is scarlet fever. This system merely means that the incubation period of scarlet fever is short. It may not be more than 24 hours between the time that the child was exposed to cases of active scarlet fever.

While there is no danger from the scales which fall from the skin of a person from scarlet fever, there is considerable danger from the nose and throat secretions of all those convalescents who have been in contact with the patient. No ex-scarlet fever case is safe until all such evidences of the disease have disappeared regardless of the number of weeks since the onset of the illness.

If the rash is in fine red pin points, turning at places into a diffuse red, scarlet fever is more likely than there is a smooth, even redness blanch the skin by pressing on it with a piece of glass. As the pressed skin turns white the red pin points will stand out. The rash generally starts on the neck and chest.

If one looks into the mouth ev-erything that is seen is red. In the throat, inside of the cheeks, and on the tongue. These are the signs which indicate the plainly told cases. The hard ones to recognize are those in which the rash is not so very little—those in which a moderate sore throat, a little fever, and maybe some enlargement of the glands are about the only signs.

Some cases of typical scarlet fever never are seen by a physician and go undiagnosed and unreported. Many atypical cases are not reported to bear weight on the legs with no other symptoms is not enough on which to make a diagnosis of rickets. Nevertheless, babies that are not at all about eating develop into children that are finicky about foods and they in turn develop into nervous, queer people. Keep him in the open air as much as possible. Try him with soups, cereal gruels, different kinds of bread, and finely mashed vegetables, as well as fruit juice and milk.

The Bee's Letter Box

About the Free Bridge.
Omaha, April 20.—To the Editor of The Bee: Why should the man who owns his home or who boasts of our free schools or approves of our free streets, free auditorium, free playgrounds, free fire department, free police, free fire department, free bridge? They all cost money to build and maintain and we like to think they are worth every cent.

And what is a bridge across a river but a part of the public highway? Douglas street bridge is not nearly so long as the one across the river, but it is a public highway. It is a public highway. It is a public highway. It is a public highway.

A Soldier's Sarcasm.
Omaha, April 19.—To the Editor of The Bee: The people of Nebraska should be very grateful for having such men as Mr. High of Lincoln superintendent of an Saloon league. It is very comfortable to know that we have such prophets that always know what the people want.

Under Government Ownership.
Omaha, April 20.—To the Editor of The Bee: Replying to article of the Taxpayer from Sutton, Neb., in the Letter Box regarding high freight rates calling particular attention to a load of lumber for Clay county bridges which cost \$550 and the freight on this car of lumber was \$500; also an item of a small sack of potatoes which cost 55 cents, and the freight rate 60 cents. This taxpayer charges that these high rates are caused, and are primarily due to excess wages of rail employees, and says that unless wages are cut 50 per cent the whole business community and farming class will be plunged into bankruptcy.

are backed by these bonds. This investor's representative has recommended that the railroads reduce freight and passenger rates to where they stood last July. This would cut off the increase of 35 per cent to 40 per cent given last year under the authority of the Each-Commins bill by the Interstate Commerce commission, and which has had the effect of destroying agricultural, mineral and lumber traffic, and led to the laying-off of 400,000 railroad employees.

Diets Should Be Varied.

E. B. writes: "Would you kindly advise me what to feed an 11 months old baby? I have always fed him cow's milk modified by Mellin's food. He never has been sick and weighs 23 1/2 pounds, has seven teeth and two more coming through. He sits up, but will not make any attempt to put his weight on his feet. I am afraid of rickets and thought perhaps he ought to be eating something more solid than milk. He will not eat any kind of cooked cereal, as I have offered them to him. He fed him six ounces of whole milk prepared with Mellin's food every three hours. He will not take more than six ounces of food at each feeding. I never feed him between 6 in the evening and 6 next morning. He sleeps soundly between these hours. It seems as though he ought to take more nourishment than he does. He will eat very little bread (whole wheat), likes orange juice and prune juice, otherwise he refuses to eat anything else. He sleeps from 9 to 12 in the morning and from 3 to 4 in the afternoon. I always have accustomed him to those hours, therefore he still keeps them. Some one said it was not normal for him to sleep so long at his age. Do you think that is true? He is perfect in body and mind. I know, as my doctor wished me to enter him in the baby contest this spring. The only thing that worries me is that he refuses to take any food other than his milk at his age. I would appreciate your advice on getting him started on something more solid than milk."

REPLY.
A child 11 months old should be taking a fair allowance of foods in addition to milk containing not more than one-fourth water. An inability to bear weight on the legs with no other symptoms is not enough on which to make a diagnosis of rickets. Nevertheless, babies that are not at all about eating develop into children that are finicky about foods and they in turn develop into nervous, queer people. Keep him in the open air as much as possible. Try him with soups, cereal gruels, different kinds of bread, and finely mashed vegetables, as well as fruit juice and milk.

It's Not Dangerous.

Mrs. C. J. writes: "My three-weeks old baby has a red spot on her leg since birth. It is growing bigger. Do you consider this dangerous? It is a dark red."

It is a birthmark. It is not dangerous.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

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to adopt and put into effect the 44-hour week on May 1, 1921. Proceeding on the supposition that there would be no serious opposition to carrying out the 44-hour agreement, the printing trades unions have in many instances already secured the 44-hour week.

Outside influences, however, have become active and this influence has resulted in some employers locking out their union employees, with others preparing to take similar action May 1, with the result that what seemed to be a harmonious desire to carry out the above agreement now presents an expensive and disastrous conflict to the commercial printing industry in various localities throughout the United States.

The opposition to the 44-hour week in the job printing plants would indicate that it is not the unions who are violating an agreement this time, as I. J. COFENHARVE.

Dependent Kearney Man Ends Life by Asphyxiation

Kearney, Neb., April 21.—(Special.)—Dependent over his continued illness, Strap Richards, 55, ended his life last night by asphyxiation. He was making his home with a brother, A. D. Richards. Retiring last evening, Richards closed up windows and doors to his room with old clothing, turned on the gas and retired. He was found stretched across the bed this morning, dead. No inquest will be held.

Who indeed, would want to wear a last year's garment before having it thoroughly CLEANED AND PRESSED?
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