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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.

Republicans and the Non-Partisans.

Warning is served on the republicans of Nebraska that the Non-Partisan League plans to capture the organization. Any who has watched the progress of Townleyism will appreciate what this means.

Whatever question may be raised as to the purpose of the Townley group, none will deny it a right to exist, to organize, and to carry on its business after its own fashion, so long as it does so in the open.

If Townleyism deserves to succeed, it can only do so in the open. No honest movement need hide behind another which it seeks to destroy.

Republicans do not fear an open enemy: the party has survived many attacks from secret foes. Leaders of the party in Nebraska do not feel so securely entrenched that they may relax vigilance.

"Goodbye, Bill; Take Keer of Yerself."
Nebraskans, regardless of party, will read with regret that William Jennings Bryan has decided to abandon his residence in this state.

While he has been wayward and wandering, he has ever returned, just before election to counsel us as to how to vote, elevating by his approval or condemning by his frown those who sought office.

These have made much headway, so much in fact that, and one records it with sorrow, it is no longer possible for the Peerless Leader to nod and know that implicit obedience will follow in his old home state.

Real Living in Nebraska.
It's a wonderful state—Nebraska. Not one of the Omaha business men who participated in the trade excursion through the South Platte country but came back with new confidence and greater local patriotism.

is there the lack of opportunity for recreation that once marked the vast plains country. Great roads, motor cars, swimming pools, parks and other means of wholesome amusement abound.

Make no mistake—Nebraska is to continue as the land of peace and prosperity, of thrift and industry, affording as full opportunity for the exertion of the best that is in each citizen and as full a reward as is offered by any spot in the world.

Russia Again Under Scrutiny.

Whatever of dependability may reside in the conflicting reports from Russia, the dispatch from Riga concerning Lenin's policy deserves some credence, because it indicates a return to sanity. Notice has been definitely served by the Allies on the soviet government that its only chance for recognition and for free communication with outside powers is in renunciation of the declarations of the Third Internationale.

Lenine is now credited with the admission that Russia is bankrupt and that the continuance of the soviets depends on freedom for capital. His great communistic endeavor has come to naught, breaking down just as all such undertakings have broken down, on the rock of individualism.

Lenine sought to bring about a forcible amalgamation of all the various elements of Russian life save one. He labored as earnestly to abolish capital as he did to destroy wealth. He was energetic enough in his attempts to organize production on the co-operative basis, to do away with any form of wealth, to avoid the use of money as a medium of exchange.

If he has now reached the point where he admits the need of the third partner in the great company on which production rests, and can convince his associates of the soundness of his conclusion, and it is the soundest yet credited to him, we may look for a revival in Russia. Some one has stated that, without Lenine, it will take 150 years to get the Russian people onto their feet and make them fit company for civilized nations.

Parcels Post Service for Omaha.
Thirty years ago or longer, The Bee earnestly advocated the adoption of two great services by the Postoffice department. One was the rural free delivery, the other parcels post.

A New Yorker who throws a milk bottle into the ash can may be fined \$500 under an ordinance secured by the health commissioner. He declares that the loss of milk bottles adds to the cost of milk. This is getting economy down to a fine point.

Rear Admiral Sims, speaking in London, says that America got too much credit for its part in the war. He may yield up his share if he wishes, but he cannot cede that of the other Yanks.

Secretary of Labor Davis announces that he is going to try to follow the Golden Rule. This is all very well, but a lot of people will consider him a radical if he sticks to it.

Senator Walsh of Massachusetts opposed entrance to the League under Wilson, but now wants to slip in the back way. That is democratic consistency, all right.

A reduction in the gas rate is announced for today. In time the city plant will be selling as cheaply as did the old company.

Omaha's base ball team made quite a record to wind up its trip, and if it can do as well at home much will be forgiven.

We are waiting for the alibis that are due from the Hoylake golf tournament. They ought to be good.

The Silesian situation is reported to be on a dead center. Most of us thought it was in back motion.

Now that Edison's son has fallen down on those test questions, they may be laid on the shelf.

The city council threatens to take over the garbage contract, and none too soon.

Independence of Filipinos
What the Wood Mission May or May Not Learn in the Islands

(From the San Francisco Chronicle.)

It goes without saying that there is no such thing as public opinion in the Philippines as we know it. The Wood mission did not need to go so many thousands of miles to learn this. There is no public opinion nor national consciousness in any country in which, as in the Philippines, the mass of the people is removed little, a large part of it not at all, from barbarism.

The only national feeling existing in the Philippines is that of a comparatively trifling minority of educated Filipinos, the island aristocracy of intellect, wealth and position. These people are politicians to a man, in their understanding of politics, which means intrigue. Of course, they want independence, in order to give full play to their personal ambitions, and they want it, probably, in much the same regard to or even thought of what it may mean for the future of the islands.

This class of intellectuals, of course, will be all that the Wood mission will see. The mass of natives, and the barbaric tribesmen are both inarticulate and have no ideas on independence to express. They do not know what a nation is. What do the Igorrote villagers care about government, or the Mohammedan tribes about laws? They are independent, but that means independent of any government in Manila or anywhere else. If they have to submit to any overlordship they will respect only that which is strong and fair, and the color of its flag means nothing to them.

The question before the Wood mission comes down to this: Is the minority of Philippine intellectuals strong enough, experienced enough, disinterested enough, to give a firm and progressive government to a congeries of peoples which by no stretch of the imagination can be called a nation? Capital, which has considered this question, seems to answer "No," since it has uniformly declined to invest in Philippine development while it remains uncertain whether the control of the United States is to continue.

Achievement by Hoover
In departing from its usual role of refusing funds for new governmental activities in the case of Secretary of Commerce Hoover's requests for additional money, the house committee on appropriations is to be commended.

The action of the committee is significant as indicating the regard that congress has for the secretary of commerce as a man of achievement. Possibly the fact that the executive branch of the government now is in the hands of the same party as the committees of congress causes more favorable treatment than was usually the case prior to March 4, when the democrats were at one end of Pennsylvania avenue and the republicans at the other.

Bonuses for War Veterans.
In the campaign to induce congress to provide bonuses for the soldiers and sailors who saw service in the war, little is heard in Washington or elsewhere of what the various states have already done. Complaint is made that the men have not received their deserts, and that in amends for its neglect the federal government should come to their aid liberally.

Uses for Live Money.
A perfect willingness on the part of Secretary Hoover to favor the sending of money abroad to relieve distress does not prevent him from being alert to the importance of keeping our exports going on a practical commercial basis.—Washington Star.

One Business That Is Flourishing.
The cleaning of last year's straw hats is one industry at least which is running at top speed in St. Paul.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Muddling Worth Imputation.
Great Britain is now putting up 7,000 houses a month, which is the most successful kind of muddling shown in some time.—Chicago Daily News.

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. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

CURATIVE VALUE OF PLAY.
This space practically never is used for the description of exercises good for this, that and the other thing. One reason is that there are no facilities for illustration and pictures herabouts are barred. Exercises cannot be taught, except by good illustrations or by demonstrations.

CENTER SHOTS.
There never has been no element of mystery in the game, "Button, button; who's got the button?" since laundries were established.—Rochebster Times-Union.

Do you remember the old-time butcher, with a mustache like a worn-out paint brush, who "threw in" a soup bone and some dog meat and gave you a large wiener?—Banghantown Sun.

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Inflammation of Nerve.
P. B. writes: "1. What is neuritis? 2. How does it affect a person? 3. What causes it? 4. Is there any cure? 5. Does it prove fatal?"

REPLY.
1. Neuritis is inflammation of a nerve. 2. It causes pain and sometimes tenderness. The pain is much more circumscribed and more definitely located than is the pain of neuralgia. It may come and go, but it is steadier than a neuralgic pain.

The Youngest of Six.
A. B. O'N. writes: "A friend of mine who acknowledges being 60 years young was being good humoredly chaffed the other evening about his senescence, his getting near life's limit, etc. 'Well,' he said, 'I am the youngest of six living brothers and sisters. I am only in my sixty-third year, and the ages

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