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The Bee's Platform

- 1. New Union Passenger Station. 2. Continued improvement of the Nebraska Highways... 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.

Is Knowledge Really Power?

An off-hand reply to that question is not likely to be dependable, for, no matter which way it may be answered, someone is sure to set up to the contrary.

As a proof that knowledge may be translated into power may be cited that so-called workers' universities are springing up, to be supported and patronized by workers, to the end that they will be trained in mind as well as in muscle.

What the workingman sees is immense endowment funds, subscribed to by men of great wealth; his inference is that these benefactions are bestowed because of especial favors expected.

It will not do to say the worker can not use the knowledge he seeks at the university. In England is "that man Hodge," leader of the miners.

It will be a sad calamity for popular education should it ever be divided on class or sect lines, as has happened to the church.

Elusiveness of Fortune.

One of the pathetic figures in modern fiction is "No Creek Lee," in Rex Beach's story, "The Barrier."

His prototype in real life, from whom Beach is said to have taken the idea, Con Van Alstyne, is now reported to have been killed and probably devoured by the wild beasts in the wilderness he roamed so long and so futilely.

Not a bad idea, to give the gasoline vamps who offer free rides to young women a free ride at the city's expense to the police station.

the philosophy to apply them; none can say just what joy Van Alstyne got out of life, but he must have been sustained in some degree, else he could not have gone ahead so bravely against "the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune."

Making Uplift Self-Supporting.

In his section of comment on the drifts of affairs, Editor Glenn H. Frank of the Century Magazine cites the case of the Players Guild of New York as an example of self-supporting uplifters.

Contrasting this successful—so far at least—undertaking with some of the subsidized "foundations," Mr. Frank finds reason for expressing the hope that more worthy enterprises of the kind will come to active life.

In the Survey Jeffrey R. Brackett, discussing constructive charity, cites a case where a will was made setting aside what seemed to be a modest amount to relieve distress among a limited class in two small towns.

What is needed is a more intensive study, both of the "foundation," and the charity trust, in order that real good may flow from the benefactions that are now misdirected because of lack of vision on part of the founder or benefactor.

One-Age Companies in Army.

A new effort at classification of "rookies" is getting a tryout at the Plattsburg training camp this fall. Instead of associating the boys and men who are present by towns or localities, as has been the custom in the past, they are grouped according to age, beginning with the 16-year-olds, who represent the minimum in years, and grading up from that in years.

Moving Picture Censorship.

A convention of considerable public interest will meet at Los Angeles on Monday. It will be made up of delegates from the various censorship boards of the United States and Canada, and will devote its sessions to a discussion of the topics in which its members are the most concerned.

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THE HUSKING BEE

It's Your Day

Start It With a Laugh

THE GOLDEN ROD HIGHWAY. It now is the bright golden season, Vacationist time of the year— Yet Nature gives man every reason To greet her bright fields with a tear; Her beauty is polychromatic And brilliant the fields we come through, But in the still air there's a static At-choo!

When dried are the dewdrops that have fallen Asteraceous flora upon, And verdure is shedding its pollen Across Nature's lavish-hued lawn— We are pleased in a sort of a wry way, Our nostrils are tickled if We travel the Golden Rod highway— Sniff, sniff!

This highway is paved with intentions Of those who have traveled of yore, While they have tried cures and preventions They're back to the highway once more; For Nature—that gay-hued deceiver— Whose fragrance is borne on the breeze, But brings to her victims hay fever, Sneezes, sneezes!

PHILOSOPHY.

Wrinkles are the furrows in which are sown the seeds of discontent. When a young man falls in love with a girl at the seashore it is usually merely a matter of form.

LACKING.

"Hello, old man. Have you confidence enough in me to lend me a five?" "Yes, but I haven't a five."

When a friend owes you a dollar you can forfeit his friendship by asking him for it—or you may retain his friendship by leaving it a loan.

LINE O' CHEER.

Be cheerful and gay, for that is the stuff Of which joy is made, O my brother, To laugh at misfortune is easy enough If it's the ill-luck of another.

LAPSUS LINGUAE.

Say, Omahans, 'jever notice when you are touring the west and you felt the old nostalgia, better known as homesickness, grip you by the hairstrings and you hopped a Union Pacific ratler at Ogden and settled down in a double seat for the old home stretch—and in your ardent imagination you are nearing home even faster than the train can carry you—and as the train slows you peek out of the window wondering how far Omaha really is, and you find you are dragging into a station which a sign informs you is Green River?

Any pleasant memories of the pre-Volsteadian period which the sign conjures up are immediately overshadowed by a meaningless postscript which seeks to inform you that you are 176 miles from Ogden and 817 miles from COUNCIL BLUFFS!

With your mind full of Omaha and although you have a faint recollection of having heard of Council Bluffs some time in the dim and misty past, you feel a keen sense of disappointment and even wonder if you are on the right train. At Laramie, Cheyenne and other stops you are again informed of the distance to Council Bluffs, and having finally satisfied yourself that you are really headed for home, you spread a gratifying half-hour ruminating on the myopic obliquity and judgment that would prompt an engineer to waste so much of his life in the useless operation of dopping out the distances to a burg where the trains merely stop for water.

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How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS

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SYMPTOMS OF PELLAGRA.

Pellagra generally begins with a sore mouth, indigestion and bodily and mental weakness and fatigue. The tongue is pointed at the edges, hothesed and fissured. There is a feeling of burning which runs down the throat from the mouth and into the stomach.

When it comes to treatment the sheet anchor is good food—plenty of good fresh meat, fresh milk, good butter, eggs, cheese, bread and vegetables. Goldberger says 50 years ago Roussel made this statement: "Without dietetic measures all remedies fail."

Removal to a cold climate is helpful. Symptoms are to be met by the physician. Needs More Information. J. C. S. writes: "During the last part of January and all of February I had a very bad attack of what I thought to be stones in the kidney, but a doctor failed to find them by taking X-ray pictures. Since about the middle of March I have not been troubled with the exception of a little soreness in the left side where the trouble was. I am writing you to ask that you give me some idea as to what is best for me to eat to avoid similar attacks."

Sometimes X-rays fail to show a stone that is present. When stone is present the attacks of pain result from movements of the stone. Such movements would be influenced by diet. When this tendency to stone is due to excess of uric acid, the diet advised is one that contains no liver, kidney, sweetbreads, plucks of any kind, meat, meat gravies, peas or beans. It should contain considerable potatoes and other vegetables. When this tendency is due to uric acid, the foods to avoid are rhubarb, cranberries and prunes. When the tendency is due to phosphates, the result of ammonia formation is doubtful if diet influences the condition. You see you must get considerably more information than you now have before you can decide what diet you eat, or whether you need to diet at all.

Sharing Nervousness.

W. C. F. writes: "In your column you discuss anæsthesia and I am sure you must have added that the nervousness complained of by Miss M. D. could be passed on to her friends if she used anæsthesia. The odor of her breath would soon knock 'em out."

Thorough Treatment Best.

Mrs. L. B. D. writes: "It is all dangerous to apply nitric acid to destroy moles, even large ones!"

Have Her Examined.

Another writes: "I. Is it possible for a girl of 10 years to have locomotor ataxia? My little girl stumbles around and seems to have no balance at all. She eats well, but is always pale and irritable and nervous. Her father had the same trouble for a year before he died."

What would you advise?"

1. It is possible. 2. She should be thoroughly examined. While locomotor ataxia is improbable, some other form of nerve syphilis or organic nerve disease is to be considered.

Why Not Tax Franks?

(From the Chicago Evening Post.) President Harding has indicated favor for an increase in first-class letter postage as a means of increasing government revenue. Net income from the higher rate would be turned over to the United States treasury for general purposes.

Congress, searching for sources from which new revenue may be produced, thinks favorably of the idea.

So we may set it down as reasonable to believe that the increase will be made. It will raise between \$70,000,000 and \$80,000,000 annually without cost of collection. You'll simply pay for the postmaster 3 cents for a postage stamp instead of 2 cents; or 2 cents for a post card instead of one. It is all very simple.

There will be vigorous protests, probably, from mail order houses and other businesses which conduct their advertising campaigns largely by the average letter-writing citizen, too, will growl and disagree. Here, to him, will be a visible evidence that the cost of government service has gone up, not down. For on its face there is no separation of the amount that goes to defray the cost of carrying his letter and the amount that goes to the treasury as a war tax.

Up in Canada they do it differently. They have a one-cent tax on letters there. But it is a separate and distinct stamp. It is labelled as a tax stamp, and must be licked and placed alongside the postage stamp on each envelope. It is not camouflaged or concealed as an increase in postage. Still, most Canadians end up by using an ordinary three-cent stamp instead.

This letter tax leaves open only one tax-free form of communication. We have a tax on telephone conversation, a tax on telegrams and are about to have a tax on letters, but we have as yet no tax on the weighty political communications of congressmen to their constituents.

The franked envelope, which carries no stamp, will evade payment of the new letter tax. Yet the same upon tons of free mail sent out from Washington is no small contributor to building up a postal deficit.

If the new letter tax were made to apply to congressional mailings, it would help the government financially in two ways. It would bring in revenue directly from all necessary congressional correspondence. And it would cut to one-half or one-quarter the volume of political propaganda that now cluttered up the government printing offices and the mails out of Washington.

Woman Progresses Fast.

Smoke compartments for women are to be provided on the Canadian Pacific.—Providence Journal.

High Cost of Armaments.

Uncle Sam ought to know the high cost of armaments; he financed Europe's.—Washington Post.

LIGHT VERSE.

At night the gas lamp light our street, Electric bulbs our homes; The fire is lit in the fest, Electric light in ohms. But one illumination still Is brighter far, and sweeter; It is not figured in a bill, Nor measured by a meter. More bright than lights that money buys, More pleasing to discerners, The shining lamps of Helen's eyes, These love the double burners!—Christopher Morley, in "Songs for a Little House," in the Bookman.

Des Moines' Plight

(From the Springfield Union.)

Des Moines, a city of just about Springfield's size, is without street car service. Worse still, there is no prospect of it being resumed speedily and no bus service sufficient to bridge the situation satisfactorily. The Des Moines people held out for years against anything steeper than a five-cent fare. They had been told that three cents was considered the correct amount, and they considered the six, seven or eight cents extortionate. The city council took the popular side of the controversy and held it until the street railway became so involved in debt that it was thrown into a receivership. Then the courts took the case in hand and ordered an eight-cent fare as the only alternative to quitting the bus.

Did the public learn a lesson? Hardly. It packed the jitneys and congratulated itself on being enabled to ride for five cents by this method. The doctors, viewing the case of the sick trolley company, found that the medicine had been administered too late for a cure. It continued to go in a hole and now is awaiting a purchaser under foreclosure proceedings. Nobody seems desirous of acquiring the property. It is strange that conditions should have been permitted to reach this pass. And it is even stranger that the laws and ordinances should be of a nature to prevent the cars being operated on an equity basis pending a readjustment. If one seeks a first-class example of how not to manage the affairs of transportation, Des Moines is a good place to look for it.

Worth Insuring.

It takes pretty near \$4,600,000,000 to run the U. S. A., according to Secretary Mellon's estimates. This indicates property well worth a little insurance in the shape of an army and a navy.—Boston Transcript.

Restriction.

The United States started this prohibition business, and now she's starting international disarmament. When a fellow can't drink or fight, what can he do?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Center Shots.

Don't be content with your lot till you have a good house built on it.—Savannah Morning News.

Again Washington Comes to the Rescue of the American Farmer.

A 35 per cent tariff has been imposed on "foreign-born" kewpies.—Stout City Tribune.

Inasmuch as Lord Northcliffe seems to have made the going pretty rough for Lloyd George lately, the latter has fitted up the government political machine with a very efficient set of snubbers.—Denver Times.

Hard knocks are good for a man—unless he's doing the knocking.—Fitchburg Sentinel.

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