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The Bee's Platform

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

Preparing for 1922 Campaign.

Democrats in congress, both in the house and senate, are actively making medicine against the campaign of 1922. Only on this ground may be explained the conduct of "Pat" Harrison in the senate and Garner in the house.

In the senate Harrison undertakes to anticipate failure of the Washington conference, and demands the immediate acceptance of the Borah program for disarmament.

One of the singular features of next year's election is that an equal number of senators from the two parties will retire. The sixteen republicans are:

- Johnson, California
McLean, Connecticut
New, Indiana
Hale, Maine
France, Maryland
Lodge, Massachusetts
Townsend, Michigan
Kellogg, Minnesota
Frelinghuysen, N. J.
Crelmer, New York
McClumber, N. Dakota
Knox, Pennsylvania
Page, Vermont
Sutherland, W. Va.
Pinchney, Wash.
LaFollette, Wisconsin

Another interesting fact is that the reasonable forecast of certainty of party success is exactly reversed, the republicans having better than an even chance of electing eleven senators from states now represented by republicans, while the democrats are morally sure of but five.

The Wilson wave that swept many democrats into office in 1916 has receded, and the issue next year will be entirely different from that of six years before.

Give Us the Facts.

What Douglas county taxpayers most want to know is whether they are getting a square deal on the big job of county paving.

The people are not especially concerned over the rivalry or row between contractors. That is an easily understood phase of the situation, and goes along with any public work.

Let the facts be made known in clear language, so all will know.

In the Matter of Bergdoh.

Intrinsically, the case of Grover Cleveland Bergdoh, slacker and fugitive from justice, holds little of importance. He is but one of a considerable number of draft dodgers who have so far escaped punishment.

Colonel Hunt, who was in command at Governor's Island when the prisoner was permitted to go on the hunt for a pot of gold, has been singled out for the most severe condemnation.

So also may the course of Colonel Cresson be understood. He is condemned because he did not press the court-martial proceedings against Colonel Hunt more vigorously.

A great scandal has been blown up over this matter, and one that is not going to be quieted soon. Some phases of it are curious as indicated by the twists of the public mind.

Foreign Trade on Normal Basis.

Commenting on the decline of \$3,000,000,000 in our foreign trade during the last fiscal year, the Department of Commerce ascribes two principal reasons for the falling off.

This is a development not unexpected, for it was of reason to think that we would be permitted to hold without difficulty the enormous business that grew out of the war.

Chief of our advantages, though, is that we retain control of the home market, the greatest ever known, and security in this will be provided in even greater measure by the Fordney tariff bill.

Tragedy of the Tennis Court.

When Mile. Suzanne Lenglen was compelled by nature to default in her match with Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory more than ordinary disappointment was felt by lovers of clean sport in America.

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Denaturing the Prize Fight.

Presbyterian Paper Suggests One Method of Preserving the Sport
From the Continent.
However deplorable the amazing widespread interest in the recent prize fight at Jersey City, it should not to anyone seem surprising or unaccountable.

The simple truth is that when all persons of influence—army officers, welfare workers and Y. M. C. A. secretaries alike—joined hands to make boxing the pre-eminent sport of leisure hours in camp, they rendered certain a general revival of pugilism in civil life after the war and insured its recognition in the category of proper American sports.

No describable line can be drawn between the pugilistic battles fought by soldiers in the army and those fought by professional pugilists today—except that the latter get money for the performance. Any law which permits "boxing exhibitions" can be used as cover for prize fights.

Our Railways and Britain's

There could be no more timely setting for the discharge of the obligation of Great Britain to the railway lines of that nation than just now, so far as the example to the American congress is concerned.

Only last week the House of Commons passed the bill appropriating at the times the sum of £60,000,000 as a compensatory payment upon the withdrawal of government control which has been in force nearly seven years.

Literally they are paying three times as much as we are asked to pay on the basis of the service acquired, and the vote in the House of Commons was 237 to 62. Rather a convincing majority!

Substituting Men for Laws.

The American people should squelch the insidious tendency of substituting men for laws. President Harding, under the tariff bill, asked for stupendous power to raise or lower tariff schedules as he might see fit.

Editor's Note—The preliminary summary of mineral resources of the United States for 1920, published by the United States Geological Survey, credits Nebraska with an output of crude potash for 1919 of 85,276 tons.

Three on a Seat

In one or two towns in Massachusetts the local officials are forbidding three people from riding upon the front seat of an automobile, claiming that it is dangerous, as conditions are too crowded for the driver to have proper control.

Has Had Her Lesson

The study of English is made compulsory in Bavaria's schools. French is dropped. That Anglo-Saxon rule the world is Bavaria's rational conclusion. She is saner than any other section of the old German empire.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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

TYPHUS FEVER AND LICE.
Dr. Copeland, health commissioner, has found a fair number of cases of typhus fever in New York City. Although the proof that this contagion is spread by lice is not yet made, Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases.

There is no danger of contracting any drug habit from using codylate of iron daily. Certain laboratory researches indicate that no form of medical iron, including codylate, does much good as a blood builder when taken internally.

Probably Not Serious.
Constant Reader writes: "I have a little boy, 5 years old, in the best of health, who has had three nose-bleeds in the last three months. One was very severe, but I stopped it by using cotton. He plays very hard and sometimes picks his nose."

Better Be Examined.
P. writes: "I have been taking three or four glasses of malted milk a day. Do you think it is too much. I take more, as I have been losing weight?"

Fond of Shredded Wheat.
E. H. writes: "For information of 'The Bee' and other aged people who are afflicted with constipation, I have to advise that they eat freely often of shredded wheat. For several years I have made it my sole food, and it would not do me any harm. I eat from two to three biscuits in milk and am very fond of the wheat flour."

Potash History.
Omaha, Aug. 17. To the Editor of The Bee: Your regular correspondent "Holland" gives us a long story to put over a rumor of the discovery of a deposit of mineral potash in western Texas.

Guatemala is to have porcelain currency, which sounds like another advance for the women. What man can be trusted with dishes?—Joplin Globe.

Big guns always make a report when they are fired, and some who think themselves big guns are fired when they report.—Birmingham News.

Dancing masters have originated a new dance which they say "can't be danced indecently." If that is true, it is no doubt possible to eliminate the word "indecent" from that statement without affecting its veracity.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Clemenceau can see nothing in golf; it being much bigger sport to put nations in holes than golf balls.—Greenville Piedmont.

The cargoes of "rifles for Cuban insurgents" used to be "worth their weight in gold" to blockade runners who landed them safely. Cargoes of present-day runners carried in the reverse direction now are equally valuable.—Worcester Telegram.

"My room is burglar-proof." "No," replied the burglar, "it isn't. It couldn't possibly accommodate a second person."—Judge.

"How fast can your car go?" "Fast enough," replied Mr. Chubb, "to break the road rules and get out of the way of the cop."—Washington Star.

"Would you marry a man for money?" "No," replied Miss Carline. "I prefer a husband in moderate circumstances to one who is in perpetual flurry about his income tax."—Washington Star.

A pessimist goes in the back door when the front is shut; the pessimist when the back is shut; the optimist when the front is shut; and blows off the roof if the chimney is shut. Let's go.—The Ark.

"Senator Smugg is terrible hidebound, isn't he?" "He was until the newspapers ripped him up the back."—Kansas Star.

The Boss—What do you mean by such language? Are you the manager here or am I? "I know I'm not the manager. The Boss—Very well, then, if you're not the manager, why do you talk like a blind idiot?"—The Stenographer.

Sky Flowers.

(From the Cleveland Plaindealer.)
Botanists are ever seeking for new flowers and trees, and their searches are abundantly rewarded by interesting discoveries. Zoologists, including specialists in all forms of animal life, conduct expeditions to the tropics and to the Arctic regions and to every obscure quarter of the globe in the quest of new mammals and fishes and bugs and animals, and they never come back without re-

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