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The Bee's Platform

- 1. New Union Passenger Station. 2. Confinued improvement of the Ne-braska Highways, including the pave-ment of Main Thoroughfares leading into Omaha with a Brick Surface.
- A short, low-rate Waterway from the Corn Belt to the Atlantic Ocean.
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Magnificent, But Not Sensible.

The case of the man who went to jail rather than pay alimony to his wife will win some admiration for his determination, but his judgment is not to be commended. In the end he will find the courts of the country are not lightly to be defied, and eventually his case will have to be heard and determined on its merits. At the same time the incident may serve to arouse a little interest in the general subject of alimony. Under no circumstances should the husband be permitted to avoid any of his obligations to his spouse; that would be unjust and unfair, but with the newer relations established by amendments to the fundamental and statutory law, perhaps the ends of justice will be served if very close investigation were applied to all divorce suits, especially those in which a considerable amount of alimony and a liberal attorney fee is asked by the relator.

As a rule the court informs itself with sufficient accuracy as to the financial situation of the husband and issues a temporary order accordingly. No fault can be found with this procedure ordinarily, for the offended and frequently abused wife is entitled to the relief granted. Now and then cases turn up in which examination of the motives might disclose a state of affairs that would justify the court in denying any relief beyond that of divorce.. So long as marriage partakes of the nature of a civil contract, dissoluble by judicial procedure, it should be competent to inquire into all the conditions surrounding that contract, and to discover if all had been faithfully observed by both parties.

Omaha has witnessed some cases in which the external evidence at least was such as inclined folks to think the contract was made in the start to secure a nice award of alimony at the end. Only the courts can stop such proceedings, and they should be ready to act promptly when such a case appears. A man is entitled to some protection as well as the woman in this

Japan, China and the Conference.

Prediction that Japan will not agree to the agenda prepared for the coming conference on armament and other questions at Washington rests on the rather slender foundation that the Shantung question was settled at Versailles. It was not; China specifically declined to sign the treaty because of the provision awarding the Shantung peninsula to Japan, and the United States, which at the time objected to the award, has not ratified the treaty. This, it would seem, leaves the Shantung award in much the same position as the Yap mandate. As one of the victors in the war, the United States has something to say about the terms on which the sequestrated German territory is to be disposed of, and it has not consented to the terms that give the disputed regions to Japan.

China has declined to conclude an arrangement with the Japanese in connection with Shantung prior to the meeting at Washington. It is wise on the part of China to thus support the action taken at Versailles. Japan offered terms for settlement that left its nationals in a preferred position in Shantung, particularly in Kiao-Chau, involved the cession of Dairen and other ports, and laid on China the burden of maintaining railroad terminals and other public works for joint use with the Japanese. Such a bargain is hardly more supportable than the direct occupancy of the territory, while negotiations would lend respectability to the proceedings under which the "twenty-one demands" were enforced in May, 1915.

A sentiment in favor of requiring Japan to "come clean," and for the ending of the Japanese alliance with England, in order that peace on the Pacific may be assured, is springing up. The mikado's government notes the setting of the current, and very likely will be found at Washington earnestly striving to save something of the rich reward grabbed at so little expense of capital or energy as its share of the war. It is not probable the future of China will be settled there, but it now appears the Chinese will learn they can have justice.

Shirt-Sleeves in the Lunch Room.

A court in Oklahoma has set up another landmark for democracy. By an order just recorded, it is permitted that a man without a coat may go into one of Fred Harvey's justly celebrated eating houses, and insist on being served. Thus the glorious freedom and traditions of the west are preserved. Some of us can remember the time when Fred Harvey was glad to get customers into his eating houses, regardless of garb. Cow punchers in chaps sat alongside railroad men in overalls, and these were flanked by travelers and tourists, indurated old-timers or nervous tenderfeet, and all enjoyed meals that made the system famous. A little later Rome Miller had a similar string of "twenty minutes for refreshments" places along the Elkhorn, running up into the Black Hills, and all sorts and conditions of men sat down together around his board and loosened up to the tune of four-bits when the meal was over, and nobody ever dreamed of noting what the other fellow was wearing or if he were clad at all. Maybe in are now tying tin cans to one.

the flight of years since those dear old days things have come to a pass where the inhabitants can be fastidious about some things, but the day is far distant when a man can not walk into an eating house and mount a stool without being formally garbed. We hope it never does come.

Whom Would You Choose?

The heavy responsibilities that burden Prestdent Harding can scarcely be understood by the average citizen whose chief connection with the duties of government arises only on election day and who devotes the rest of his time to supporting his family and paying taxes. The single task of arranging and carrying through the international conference on disarmament, it is not too much to say, is greater than most men face in a lifetime.

This is brought home by a questionnaire sent out by three organizations asking a straw vote as to who should represent the American people in the Washington gathering. One of those requesting expression of an opinion is the Woman's Committee on World Disarmament, and the others style themselves the Foreign Policy association and the World Friendship bureau. The inquiry as to who is considered best fitted to attend this meeting is followed by dotted lines on which 10 names are to be written. Almost anyone can select one or two suitable delegates, but the imagination is liable to be severely taxed to think of many more.

But once this is accomplished, the second question forces itself upon the attention: "What qualifications should be required in every American member selected?" One may glance back over the tentative list and be unable to discover any common quality except perhaps that each has one's confidence. The third inquiry is: "What points of view and interests, besides the political and financial, should be included and represented in the membership of the American group?" Thus is brought up the problem of the advisability of occupational representation, with labor, agriculture, business and women as possible candidates who should be given a voice.

It is well to have this matter forced on the attention of the public, and there can not be too much discussion and thought given to the disarmament conference. But not many are sure enough of their own judgment to desire to have the decision placed in their hands. Here appears to be one case where the ballot could not be relied upon. If there had been more lively interest in this momentous event, perhaps a referendum might have had its possibilities for good. But the people have left the responsibility entirely with the president, thereby at least paying him the compliment of trust in his ability to meet the emergency.

De Valera's Awkward Dilemma.

Ineptness in address has brought the Irish situation to a virtual impasse. Eamonn de Valera's ultimatum to Lloyd George has ended the confabs, the invitation to a conference at Inverness having been withdrawn. What the next step will be only the event can tell. De Valera may, but in all probability will not, withdraw the note that put an end to negotiations at a time when all seemed to be progressing favorably. Short of this the way to a resumption of discussions between the British cabinet and the

Irish representatives does not appear. Terms offered to Ireland included all Sinn Fein demands with the exception of absolute separation; this England will not concede, and in this stand the other nations of the empire agree. A dominion status, such as is enjoyed by Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, with complete autonomy over finances, and with the undiminished advantage of membership in a great imperial assembly of nations would give Ireland a splendid position and ample, opportunity for the working out of national plans and aspirations, revival of the Celtic language and all. And this, Lloyd George assured De Valera, is as far as the British gov-

ernment will go. De Valera's answer to this is: Our nation has formally declared its independence and recognizes itself as a sovereign state. It is only as representative of that state and as its chosen guardians that we have authority or powers to act on behalf of our

people.

To deal with representatives of Dail Eireann on this basis is to accept as established the assertion of independence. Lloyd George declined to do this. If De Valera and his associates insist, then negotiations for which the truce was established are at an end, and a condition prevails which can not continue. Either the destruction of war must be resumed or the people must rid themselves of present leadership and get behind men who can bring peace to Ireland.

Omaha's Country Cousins.

It is to be regretted that the Douglas county fair is not better advertised in Omaha. The exhibits which were shown in Waterloo this week compare favorably with those of any other part of the state. In fact, first honors at the state fair were won by the display of Douglas county.

What is sometimes forgotten is that the city of Omaha does not include all the activity and wealth of Douglas county. Just beyond our borders orchards and fields as fine as could be desired are to be found. Fine hogs, fat cattle and splendid dairy herds abound.

Out there in the farm homes the boys and girls are being brought up amid a life far different from that now known by the younger generation of the city. There are chores to be done, small duties that for many city boys do not exist; instead of the movies there are only books, games and the pleasures of intimate contact with nature, and in many ways it seems they are learning to be more useful than are their city cousins. The girls gather in their community sewing clubs, and with the boys compete in pig and calf clubs. Indeed, it appears that life in the country has been vastly improved from the unbroken drudgery that drove so many to the cities in former years, while city life may

possibly have slipped back. When next year's county fair rolls around it is to be hoped that the invitation to attend will be more widely distributed, and that Omaha may be more largely represented.

"Jim" Riley's famous weather, "when the frost on the punkin' and the fodder's in the shock," is almost here, and welcome, too.

President Harding, it may be remarked, has made a good start, but he appears frequently in a week end.

The spectacle of an auction of unemployed men cuts too deep to be popular.

Speaking of hitching wagons to a star, they

THE HUSKING BEE -It's Your Day -

Start It With a Laugh HUMAN NATURE ON FARNAM STREET.

Human nature is much the same In old and young, in high or low, We all applaud a well-played game, We gaze alike at the passing show; And curiosity's not confined

To any sex or race or creed, It is a common state of mind That hungers and must find its feed.

Each day I see upon the street A motley crowd that stops to gaze, And brogans tread on dainty feet While silk rubs cotton in the maze;

I stop to see what is the thing That foolish crowds will stand and view-Some monkeys playing in a swing-And I find I am gazing, too!

PHILO-SOPHY. Nonsense is the kind of sense the other fel-

It is all right to be a dreamer if you jump up and hustle when the alarm goes off.

It is charitable to be kind to the weak, but it s also wise to be courteous to the strong

TWO ARE COMPANY. In the parlor there were three-The parlor lamp and he and she, Three makes a crowd beyond a doubt,

And so the parlor lamp went out.

OIL. The man who burns the midnight oil Gets small returns for all his toil, It is the man who sells the stuff Who reaps the shekels, sure enough.

GREAT DAY FOR THE RACE Judging from the way the skies clear up, every day leads us to surmise that King Ak has a pull with the weather man.

Bryan, they say, looked younger on his recent visit to Omaha. Has he by any chance found in Florida what Mr. P. de Leon failed to locate?

"Why don't you speak to your little schoolmate when you meet him?"
"Huh! He comes to school in a Ford and we go in a Cadillac' . . .

HIS MASTER'S VOICE. We opine there will soon be a new position under the civil service for which examinations may be looked for-changing the needle on the postoffice phonograph.

See where a husband of 40 years' standing has had his temper ruined by attending the Probably annoyed by persons reading the sub-titles.

STILL HERE. We kissed Miss Summertime goodby To speed her on her way, We turned around and gave a sigh To greet an autumn day; With summer's love still in our mind-(How could we soon forget?) A backward glance we gave to find Miss Summer with us yet.

> IN THE POSTOFFICE. Human'z'ng music Stealing everywhere, Jazzy strains of ragtime Pulsate on the air; Latest variations. March and nightingale, It's just Will Hays' way of

AFTER-THOUGHT: The pen is mighty, but it wouldn't accomplish much without the ink. PHILO.

Married Women in Industry

Women prominent in professional life and philanthropic work dissent emphatically from the theory of Mrs. Samuel Gompers that when women whose husbands make a good living seek business positions they not only "take bread and butter from someone who needs it," but also detract from the interests of their homes and children. In the opinion of one of Mrs. Gompers' feminine critics, a wife's work outside the home tends to improve it. "The children gain in self-reliance and independence, and the realization of their mother's activity deepens their char-

Certainly the subject under discussion is not new one. Is there indeed much more to be said than has already been said, on one side or the other, of what has come to be an academic ques-Married women do engage in business life, and the home is still there apparently as it was before. If it is impaired in any particular the deleterious influence must be traced to other conditions that those caused by the mother's activity as a wage-earner. The discussion will doubtless continue, but can it possibly alter the case? If it is assumed as true that the home suffers from a wife's participation in industry, will the fact ever actuate remedial legislation? And if legislation is sought, of what nature to become effec-

As for taking bread and butter from someone who needs it, all the laws and preachments cannot prevent this condition of things. Given the desire to work for a salary and the capacity, mardesire to work for a salary and the capacity of capacity and capacity and capacity and capacity and capaci

It Doesn't Pay.

Franklin D'Olier of Philadelphia, former comnander of the American Legion, speaking at Chateau-Thierry to dedicate the new Roosevelt bridge over the Marne, said: "Let us dedicate ourselves to the task of impressing on our public leaders the lesson that we know; that war does

Such a sentiment, coming from men who fought, means more than if it came from those who never knew the full significance of the de-struction of men by their fellowmen. Mr. D'Olier was not speaking for he purpose of a pleasant of those who fell as well as those who are spared. The true soldier does not need a reminder that the glory of war is only in the sublimity of devotion manifest; not in the killing. It is those who never fought who require to be told that war should be abolished as a heinous crime of man against man—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

A Kind Word for the Record.

General Dawes says the Congressional Record should be discontinued, but something can be said for the much-abused publication. It prints nothing about prize fights, murders and divorce scandals, and is free from the exasperating habit of beginning a story on the front page and continuing it on page ten, column six.—

Shoe and Leather Reporter.

"Shuah yo"
"Den how"

Explained at Last.

Squirrels on the golf links at Carleton Place, Ontario, it was found, had carried away over 500 golf balls and hidden them away in their Ontario, it was found, had carried away over 500 golf balls and hidden them away in their winter nests. Oh, that's the reason the squirrels follow these golf chaps around, ch?—Kansas Times.—Pittsburgh

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS concarning hygiens, sanitad prevention of disease, subto Dr. Evans by readers of
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TEACHER'S COMPLEX TASK. It is well for the teachers as they

begin their year's work to understand what they are up against.

The distribution of school children into groups graded according to mental ability as determined by Terman is accepted as approximate-Sixty per cent have

average intelligence.

The members of this group can move along through school life making the grades according to schedule, passing the examinations and meeting the other tests as they and laid down. Above these is another group comprising about 15 per cent who are brighter than the average, but nevertheless get along fairly well in school. They learn rather too quickly and easily and therefore have energy which some use wisely but which gets others

Above this more than average bright group is a group of superiors embracing somewhere about 3 per cent of the whole. They are so much out of the ordinary that they constitute a problem for the teachrs. A few of them are great trouble

Now, going back to the average group and rating downward, we whole. Many of these are dull be-cause of physical defects. The mem-bers of this group are difficult. By teacher can keep a fair proportion and he is thinking about starting a up to grade. Below these are the scrap book. up to grade. Below these are the feeble minded, making up about 7 per cent. Most of these will drop out of school whenever they can and will quit for good just as soon as the law allows.

This classification was made be-

fore the world war. This grouping Does a Vacuum Bottle Keep Things of soldiers and other persons observed by draft examiners during the world war by the use of mental tests proved the approximate cor-But hold! The seacher's troubles are not at an end. Besides physical conditions and mental ability it is necessary to take personality and behavior into consideration. As Dr. Pearce Baily says, the real purpose of education is the upbuilding of character, the transmutation year

by year of the untamed savage pro-pensities with which a child comes into the world into co-operated and Without this transmutation of the infantile primitive impulses into an adult co-ordinated self-control the

the time, and some have mental types which will be classed as dementia precox as soon as the indi-vidual becomes engaged in the contacts of adult life. Some are antilems of personality and behavior are just as real as those of physical are just as real as those of physical deficiency and mental capacity. Unfortunately there are no statistics or groups along this line available for

scarlet fever?
"2. Will salts every morning reconstitution?"

REPLY. 1. Probably not. 2. It will not reduce you and it is harmful to the constitution and bylaws, and against the rules of order

Well That Baby's Weaned. Mother writes: "I am a nursing mother, and the baby, 18 months, has gone to the country for ten weeks. My breasts are becoming full and very painful. Is there any-thing I could do to dry up the milk? Is the condition dangerous?' REPLY.

Bind your breasts so as to press them firmly and evenly. You need do nothing more. The condition is not dangerous. It is well you weaned the baby.

"The Orange Cure." old and am five feet three inches tall on weigh 151 pounds. I sure do want to reduce, but want to follow a diet that I know is absolutely recommended by a doctor.' REPLY.

There are many fruit cures and the orange cure as one of them is the orange cure as one of them is given by Thompson as follows: The cure lasts six weeks. Begin by eating an orange before breakfast and another before retiring. In three or four days the breakfast consists of several oranges, a small quantity of several oranges, a small quantity of bread and butter and a little it comes to their own personal encoffee. During the forenoon eat joyment.' several oranges. For dinner some But yo several oranges. For dinner some But you need meat and potato, green vegetables this statement. and oranges-no bread, pastry or dessert. During the afternoon

Better See a Doctor. F. N. M. writes: "I am a young

I do not think you will succeed very well treating yourself for amoe bic dysentery. Ipecae can be bough in any drug store by anybody. Eme-tine is an alkaloid obtained from ipecac. It is given hypodermically. Most drug stores carry emetine.

A Financial Miracle. Mose Smith and Tom Thompson

ning.
"Yo' Lem," he said. "Yo' don pay dat ten dollars whot yo' owe me. I has de law on yuh." "Don' yo' get pestiferous, niggah,"
said Lem. "Ah don' owe you nuttin."
"Yo' don' owe me nuttin?" said
Mose. "Di'n ah done len' yo' ten
dollars what yon ain't paid back?
Tell me dat."

"Shuah yo' did."
"Den how come yo' don' owe m "Cos de intrust done et up the prins'pal."—Forbes' Magazine.

Dog Hill Paragrafs

A traveling man stopped at the Tickville hotel Monday of this week.



last year.

Jefferson Potlocks seems to think that there are not near as many fleas now as there used to be. Yam Sims says there are just as many, but that there are several other membrs of the family for them to get on

first encounter a group of dullards The Tidings reports that Raz Bar-making up about 15 per cent of the low was a business visitor in its ville Saturday afternoon. This is the second time his name has been in the paper in the past few months,

Since time immemorial men have been seeking a device which would retain the heat or the coolness in liquids, but, despite several inventions which approximated the desired result, it was only of late years that the use of the vacuum bottle has succeeded in approaching the goal. Even savages, however, have been familiar with the principles of the "water monkey"-a porous bottle which cools by evaporation due to a draft-and the fact that articles wrapped in a blanket or some other heavy covering will retain their low

or high temperatures considerably longer than if exposed to the air. individual remains against or outside the social order.

Some part of the children in schools are insane, some have dementia precox which is apparent at sections with a space between from which the air has been extracted. If the substance which we desire to keep cold were to be placed in the interior bottle or container and this was then wrapped in a newspaper, a blanket or some other poor conductor of heat, the substance would remain at a low temperature for several hours because the heat would tind difficulty in penetrating the cov-Probably Not: Yes.

Mrs. A. E. B. writes: "1. Will my son ever entirely overcome the result is achieved for a greater light deafness he has had since the length of time, owing to the fact

that heat cannot jump over or pass through a vacuum-needing air to assist it in making its journey. If the vacuum were absolutely perfect, that is if there were no air whatever in the space, substances placed in the interior container would remain hot or cold for an indefinite period. However, a perfect vacuum is extremely difficult to attain, which accounts for the gradual change in temperature of the contents of a

vacuum bottle." (Copyright, 1921, Wheeler Syndicate Inc.)

Common Sense

By J. J. MUNDY. Take the Wife Along.

Wives need play spells as well as husbands. G. T. writes: "Will you kindly tell me what the orange diet is, and whether it will help fleshy people to reduce? I am only 28 years by excuses himself on the plea that ity excuses himself on the plea that

little children growing up?
Don't they need fresh air?
Would your wife be so nervous, so

despondent, so restless as she is at

But you need not run to cover on

"Of course, they may not intend to To a great degree this woman is

man suffering from amoebic dysen-tery. I have taken quinine and niof silver irrigations. I no- ited away with his sport that he fortrace of silver irrigations. I no-lied away with his sport that he for-ticed that you recommend specac gets that his wife is entitled to a and its alkaloids. Will you let me know how to buy it, also how it is to be taken?"

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Many Motorists Violate New Parking Regulations

Many motorists failed to observe the new downtown 30-minute parking regulations which went into effect yesterday. A parking limit of 30 minutes has been imposed within a district bounded by Howard to arrived at Detroit from the south Dodge streets; Fourteenth to Twen-and obtained employment at a small tieth; also on Farnam as far east factory. Mose lent Lem \$10, and as Thirteenth and along Sixteenth, spent six months vainly trying to collect it. Then he became threatstreets.



Charity Never Faileth

By George Bingham

(From the New York Times.) "Rut whether there be tongues, they shall cease." The voices in discussion as to the causes of Russia's plight and in negotiation as to ways of relief have, for the time, at any rate, ceased. And now only the poignant cry of Russia itself is heard. It is uttered in the one Russian word "pomosch," which means "Help." Behind the impenetrable wall which, standing on the morning horizon, has cast a daily shadow across the whole of the western world, war, plague, pestilence, discase and famine have been preying upon a people who, as the door is opened, are found helplessly facing death by hundreds of thousands. death by hundreds of thousands, and even millions. How widespread the suffering is it is not now possible even to estimate, though a dispatch from official health sources in Moscow puts the number of starving children alone at 4,000,000.

The official famine paper, Pomosch, published in Moscow, and world by the correspondent of the

quoted by the correspondent of the Times, who has recently been permitted to enter Soviet Russia, de-picts conditions which are not simply distressful; they are catastro-phic; "without equal in history," as a Russian editor and publisher now in Berlin has said. It is not merely that people in certain areas have but bran, acorns, bark or grass for their daily bread; or that the fields here and there are burned and bare, where only Death has caped a harvest; or that cholera is so prevalent and virulent in a city of less than 150,000 that there are from 600 to 700 cases in a day, with a mortality of 75 per cent: or that locusts have in certain places de-youred all that the drouth has left. it is that conditions, of which such nstances are given, are typical of whole provinces whose populations are fleeing by thousands and tens of thousands, as if the day of wrath

It is not now the time to ask the reasons why. In response to this cry of "pomosch" that rises from Russia's woe, there can be but one answering word that can be under-stood, the word for that which persists, when tongues and prophecies and knowledge cease or lail or pass away. And this response must be on such huge scale as to leave no coubt of the genuine sympathy of America, whose misfortune this is as well as Russia's or Europe's. The Times would make appeal to its readers were it not that he American relief administration has at the moment funds in hand sufficient to The Art and Music Store provide all the food that can be n the immediate future: but when the time comes that more is needed to help those millions who have the burning horrors of the summer and survived to face the freezing rigors of the Russian winter, America must be ready with that charity which has never failed,

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