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#### On the Rocks at Genoa.

The Russo-German treaty just announced should be viewed from three points at least before judgment is passed. As outlined by the contracting parties, it is to supersede the remarkable and moribund compact signed at Brest-Litovsk, and which is now incapable of being carried out. Dr. Rathenau, speaking for Germany, says it is essential to European peace. The French delegates regard it as the formation of another group in Europe, fraught with potentialities for destruction. Lloyd George is-inclined to take a moderate view, and suggests that the Genoa conference need not break down because an understanding has been reached between two of the nations represented concerning their mutual relations.

The opinion of the British leader seems the sounder. French nerves are jumpy, and an agreement of any sort between the nations France is seeking to exact a settlement from is apt to produce a snappy reaction at Paris. Germany'spenetration of Russia was notorious prior to the war, and observers have agreed that, no matter what the outcome of the struggle, German dealers would find Russian markets open. In this respect the Germans have the advantage of location, which it is impossible to overcome. Even with the buffer states of Poland and Czecho-Slovakia interposed, and the Baltic states revived, standard bearer, purported to come from the ex-Russia is more easily accessible to Germany than to either of her great rivals. Competition for control of Russian markets should rest on something more reasonable than force. In any event, "Drang noch Osten!" still is and must be the watchword in Germany, and it may be questioned if the "ring of steel" would check or alter the movement.

France is more concerned with guarantees for German indemnity and Russian debt than any other present issue. Imagination may picture dency. the bolshevik armies threatening the peace or western Europe, but the prospect is very re German statesmen hardly will invite bolshevik soldiers to protect the vaterland, as an alternative to payment of reparation demands. They know that it will be easier and cheaper to settle the bills for the war than to revive a nation once undone by communism.

On the surface the whole thing looks like a shrewd plan on part of Germany and Russia to compel some further concessions. Russia is not as yet wholly admitted to the conference, and may perhaps through Germany be able to get a favorable decision without entirely submitting to the terms prescribed by France, Italy and England. Following Lloyd George's simile, the Genoa craft is getting into shoah waters, if it is not on the rocks, and the principal need just now is another Columbus, or other pilot equally skilled, to get it back into smooth sailing.

#### Secrets of the Soil.

Americans are perhaps too ready to believe that they may teach all the world in agriculture, more especially since our aggregate production is so tremendous. That our soil is new and fertile is a point not always taken into account. Nor is the thought that this rich soil may one day be exhausted fully faced.

Along the Atlantic seaboard are many abandoned farms, incapable of food production. In older countries than this lands have been tilled since before the beginning of the Christian era without losing their productivity. The United States Department of Agriculture has sent Dr. Curtis F. Marbut on a soil study trip to find out how this has been done.

Soils in Scandinavia, Finland and parts of Germany are thought to resemble some soils in the northern part of the United States. In south Germany, France, Poland and possibly in the south of England is a group of soils that may resemble those of Maryland, Pennsylvania and Ohio. The rich wheat lands of south Russia and Roumania are perhaps like those of the Dakotas. By analysis and comparison Dr. Marbut expects to gather information of high benefit to

American farmers. In Italy and Greece this agricultural envoy will sample and study ancient soils that have been cultivated for 2,000 years and that are said never to have been fertilized and never to

have had the benefit of much live stock farming. It is hard to think of any greater service that could be done by the United States government. The maunderings of diplomatic representatives, the strategems of statesmen and all the artificial activities of modern states appear of trifling importance compared to this search for assurance of continued good yields of food.

### Warriors and the Spot Light.

Marshal Joffre's somewhat distant attitude toward the Omahans who went to Burlington station Saturday evening to pay him honor may or may not have been due to a realization that his trip across America, as pointed out by newspaper correspondents, has been far from the triumphal tour of Marshal Foch a few months ago or, for that matter, of Marshal Joffre during

the war. Marshal Joffre has received courteous attention, but there have been no vast besieging throngs about his car, no babies handed up to be kissed, no great race of cities for the honor of his presence. In part the change may be due to a feeling that France is not today aligned in support

THE OMAHA BEE thought to be the case during the war and for time afterward. In part it may be because Americans are thinking hard of their own domestic problems and have less time or will to enthuse over war heroes, particularly those from abroad.

Down in Washington there is a real battle over the size of the army and the navy, but it is a hattle of congressmen and army-navy men for the most part; the general public refuses to show any great degree of interest. Taxes, commerce. the schools and like topics are the subjects attracting real attention today.

#### Retirement for Arbuckle.

"Fatty" Arbuckle should not "come back." Public morality and good taste should outweigh curiosity and liking for slapstick comedy. The try-out of Arbuckle pictures, held in seclusion during the screen star's trial on murder charges, should result in an emphatic "No" from the American people to whom the picture producers are going to leave the decision.

Arbuckle has been acquitted of murder. That establishes his right to live, to have his freedom, to vote. It does not give him any right to pose again as a hero of movie fandom, particularly of children. Acquittal of murder does not guarantee the accused entry into our homes; in our daily living we draw the line far short of that. We refuse to associate with many men and women whose sins are not even violations of the law, but who transgress the moral code or the rules of conventional good taste.

Few of us would welcome Arbuckle, gay participant in gay parties, into our homes. Why then admit him into our minds and force his picture-with all its attendant associations-into our children's minds?

#### Another Man Overboard.

Joseph P. Tumulty, "faithful Joe," for more than a dozen years the political confidant of Woodrow Wilson, has waited thus long to be repudiated by his chief. He has, in fact, been made to walk the same plank that was taken by Bryan, Harvey, Watterson, Lansing, McCombs and Garrison.

It may be that the atrocious frankness of Tumulty's book, which made the business of the presidency seem on the approximate level of bossing a river ward, had somewhat to do with the final breakup. The immediate cause, however, was a message read at a democratic dinner in New York at which James M. Cox was the guest of honor. These few words, which were taken as the endorsement of Mr. Cox as the party president, only later to be disowned.

"Say to the democrats of New York that I am ready to support any man who stands for the salvation of America, and the salvation of America is justice to all classes." Thus read the telegram which Mr. Tumulty sent to the Cox banquet in the name of Mr. Wilson. It seems a perfectly proper and innocuous statement, except that it might be read as an endorsement of Mr. Cox's ambition again to try for the presi-

message had been authorized, and Mr. Tumulty has been forced to explain that he misunderstood a conversation with his former associate. The notion is forced that the sentiments might have been intended for another address-McAdoo, by

On the other hand, too much praise can not be given the ex-president for his policy of noninterference in public affairs. He might have made the administration of President Harding much more difficult, without having added anything to the cause of the American people. The pushing tactics of Mr. Tumulty appear in this instance to have received a merited rebuke.

#### Road Inquiry Moves Rapidly.

Two things have been developed since the inguiry into the road program in Nebraska has been resumed. One is that when an honest man permits his prejudice to sway his judgment, he is apt to get into a place where he doesn't look his best. The other is that the state engineer is confident that finally his judgment will be sustained, for he has shown an absolute willingness. to be investigated to the fullest.

A genuine sensation was provided at Clay Center, when a missing note book turned up in knew of its whereabouts all the time he was meet. making so much fuss over its disappearance. This incident, coupled with his admission of prejudice at Ashland, throws a doubt on the sincerity of the proceedings so far as he is concerned. Disclosures in connection with the road work done by the supervisors in Clay county also support the state engineer. On the whole, the day at Clay Center was rather profitable for the governor and his engineering department.

The inquiry should go on the whole route, in order that every point be cleared up, and no misunderstanding be left. Many wild assertions have been made in connection with road building in Nebraska, and now the people demand the truth. Clay county seems to have been eliminated from the contest, and perhaps some other charges will be discovered to have as little foun-

The Waldorf Astor estate, whose beneficiaries are now British subjects, has sold another group of New York tenements. Paying taxes in America and England proved too heavy a burden? The result is not to be lamented, for it is better for landlords and tenants to live in the same country, at least.

The Genoa conference begins to look like an old-fashioned gathering of European diplomats. Uncle Sam would have been mighty lonesome

When the "Big Five" becomes the "Bigger Three," may we look for the advent of the Biggest One?"

France may retain her sang foid, but it might be safer to let Lloyd George take the lead for a little while right now.

If Irish republicans act so wild, what can be expected of Irish democrats?

Well, the missing note book turned up, and

where do you think it was? Russian diplomacy hasn't changed much.

#### THE HUSKING BEE -It's Your Day -Start It With a Laugh

THE TRAVELOGUE.

Way down among the South Sca isles-Twas far beyond the law,

All clothed in new and daring styles. Some bathing girls I saw;

The styles were new to me, forsooth.

That much I did perceive. And yet they really were, in truth, As old as Mother Eve.

And I, intruder, sat and gazed, Not twenty feet away, And not a maid in anger blazed. Nor had a word to say: No beach-cop marred the festive sight Of dark-skinned beauties, stout, But still a prudish censor might Have cut that fillum out.

#### PHILO-SOPHY.

Honesty is a good policy, but it is all right to

The fact that there are as good fish in the sea have ever been caught, is what makes the fisherman's story plausible.

Instead of joining an athletic club for the purposes of physical exercises, many married men take their calisthenies in the back yard gar-The money saved in dues may be used later

A one-piece bathing suit gives a nymph more freedom in the water and more prestige on land, so why censor 'em. After all, it is merely a matter of form.

in the season for the purchase of vegetables.

#### CLASS.

When you pipe a flock of peaches Strolling on the beathing beaches. You notice some of 'em are fat and some extremely lean; As a rule they're not so classy As the ones upon the cover of the Sunday magazine,

### AMATEUR GARDENING HINTS.

For Use With Congressional Seeds. Guaranteed to produce blisters, backache, eri-beri, awnwee, sunstroke and spring fever. Trade your mashie for a hoe and remember that a spade by any other name would fill a wheelbarrow just as slick.

Growing macaroni has a great attraction for the Italian cut worm, especially if sprinkled with garlic. This may be avoided by planting ginger

Olives must be cultivated to be edible.

Silk stockings make a very good garden hose or the frail species and serve to encourage the statoes to come up and look around

Popcorn should be covered up at night as protection from the fireflies.

The dill pickles should be protected from the street lights at night to prevent them from ripen-

the ground moist during the dry season.

Those who do not keep chickens may start

umbrella over them during showers. The marshmallows should be hilled up often to keep the sun from roasting them before they are ripe.

The prune vines should be trimmed frequently. This is called pruning.

Almonds should be salted often.

Portable gardens are popular and very handy case the landlord raises the rent.

The stork, a handsome bird and kind, Has wisdom, too, and skill, The only fault that we can find He has too large a bill.

Elinor Glyn is disgusted with the "Puritanism" of the movies. We've heard 'em called

everything else but. TODAY'S IDLE THOUGHT. The slower they are biting the more time a fellow has to think up a good fish story.

"When you call on a man nowadays in either business or a social way," mused the corner philosopher, "you have a reasonable assurance that you will find him sober."

. . . Tim says: Hoodlums and moochers are of great use in the world. There are just enough of them, so judiciously distributed, that it causes the hands of Mr. Epperson who, it appears, us to more fully appreciate the real folks we

> There is always something good in every paper. Hastings (Neb.) Tribune. Even in a curl paper, ch, Adam?

> > "The girl for me." Said Heinie Hime, "Is she who is Always on time."
> >
> > -Hastings (Neb.) Tribunc.

That girl, I'll say, Gives me delight, Who says, "Let's stay At home tonight."

SIGN OF THE TIMES. At Thirteenth and Farnam: "Loose Leaf Week."

(Mother Eve started that fad.) On North Sixteenth street (Lower Broad-"Shoes Shined Inside, 10 Cents."

"Heavy Carpenter Overalls." Cuming street logic: "Don't go down town and get stung. Come

What they think on Sixteenth: "A Woman is Only a Woman, But a Good Cigar is a Smoke." —Scout Frank Carey.

Doc Fitzsimmons, just back from the Philip-pines, says our little brown brothers are crazy over automobiles. He says one day a crazy Filipino jumped into a Ford, picked up a couple of Chink laundrymen and went for a joy ride. They bumped into a local freight train and when friends went out to gather up the fragments all they could find of the outfit was a nut and two

> ISN'T IT THE STUFF? Since grain's no longer needed For brewing beer or booze, And it has been conceded For that no more we'll use-Since now our grain we're letting Go for food instead, B'gosh we should be getting CHEAPER BREAD!

AFTER-THOUGHT: Here is one time when

#### How to Keep Well By DR. W. A. EVANS

Questions concerning hygicas, sanita-tion and prevention of disease, sub-mitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The bee, will be answered personally subject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is en-closed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

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FRANK PONCHIN'S STORY. This is the story of Frank Ponch-in, \$1, but his years differ from these of other men in that 55 of

it. When it is known that convicts die from consumption after a few years, or are pardoned out because they have the disease in its last stages, or else they go crazy, the wonder is how this man managed to keep healthy in body and mind for 55 years, to live 63 years after first entering a peniterilary, and to first entering a penitentiary, and to attain \$1 years of age.

This is what he told me:

one. He has always heard that his family were a healthy stock, as well as a long lived one. Point number

There had never been a case of

keep himself well. Many prisoners eat soap or lye or drink vinegar to make themselves sick to avoid tasks. He figured that by behaving, keep-He figured that by behaving, keeping himself physically fit and doing
his allotted tasks he could always
get the reductions for good behavior
and he might get pardoned. More
than eight years reduction of a 20year sentence was no small record.
"Always tried to keep myself
wall" Point number four.

eil." Point number four. When he worked at a dust rade, such as sandpapering shoe soles or pounding rock, and he was given a respirator to keep the dust out of his nose and mouth, he always wore it. Point number five. Remember

that practically all convicts who die in prison die from consumption.

When men are put on tasks they are sometimes forced to work when they are not in fit condition to work. because of colds, coughs and other ills. He kept himself in good health, and was therefore not overfatigued when he worked. Point number six. Consumption is liable to develop as a result of overfatigue.

He had never had a cough and

did not have many colds.

Men with coughs were put in as cellmates with men with coughs. Many of these coughers were lung-Point number seven.

Especially in the early days the walls of the cells were frequently damp. The ventilation in cells was and still is very poor. The sunlight never gets into the cells. By behaving well and making no trouble he sometimes got a choice cell. He always tried for one that

some sunlight. Point numbe He had no complaint about the

Those who do not keep chickens may start their egg plants in an incubator.

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Too much rain is not good for the marsh-mallows. A good plan is to stand and hold an mallows. A good plan is to stand and hold an message had been authorized and Mr. Turnulay umbrella over them during showers. The marsh-that he has considerable emotional that he has considerable emotion t

in his cell by reading. In the early days each prisoner was allowed two tallow candles a week. This gave him seven hours of reading by artificial light. Now the lighting is better. When he had nothing else to ter. When he had hounder 11.
do he read. Point number 11.
If a man can-reach 81, keeping
If a man can-reach 81, keeping healthy physically and mentally, through 54 years spent in prison, what right have you to be sick?

They Are Not Contagious.

L. M. M. writes: "1. What causes fever sores on the lips? I have them every winter.
"2. Are they contagious?
"3. What is good for them?" REPLY.

1. Infection of the nerves by pneumococci or kindred germs.

3. To prevent, keep from taking cold. To do this, take daily cold baths, followed by vigorous rubs. Keep out of doors as much as pos-Avoid crowds; sleep in a well ventilated room; do not overeat.

To cure, apply any simple ointment, such as oxide of zinc salve.

Take a purgative. How Golf-Itis Starts. S. D. writes: "I have a baby sister 13 1-2 months old. She started to walk at 11 months. She walks all day and hardly takes a rest. She

is slightly bow-legged.
"Please tell me what can be done to cure her." REPLY. Eleven months is a little early for so much pedestrianism. Can you entertain her in other positions

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ance with your wishes.

Omaha, April 10,-To the Editor of The Ree: As an American citizen, I wish to protest against the recent them were spent in prison.

It was in 1859 he first entered a penitentiary.

Frank's story has been told more than once. I went to him because than once. I went to him because the contaminated and corrupted by to be contaminated and corrupted by this incarnation of beastliness? No:

let us by all means prevent this re-pulsive probability.

Even Turkey won't accept this piece of human deformity. Why should we, because of our liberalism and charity, set so reprehensible an example for the less civilized nations

like Turkey? Besides this, let us consider the This is what he told me:

His father lived to be 36; his mother more than 80. He came of a long lived stock. Point number one.

He has always heard that his number one. this already overcrowded list, the violations of Semenoff, which include every rupture of natural, hu-man and divine law?

consumption in the family. Point number three.

In prison he had always tried to keep himself and divine law an to Russia, although, God knows, EUGENE M. KONECKY.

Lenin's Disease.

The report that Lenin has an incurable disease is a bit misleading; Lenin is an incurable disease.—Columbia Record.

Wilful Group of Little Men. The "little group of willful men" is quite knocked out, but it will "come again," no doubt,—Cincinnati Enquirer.

cured by exposure to sunlight and feeding a good diet.
Some are benefited by cod liver

Keep the Mouth Clean.
Pyorrhea writes: "1. What are the symptoms of pyorrhea?
"2. What are the preventives?
"3. Is pyorrhea contagious and how?"

REPLY. 1. Redness and sponginess of the gums, bleeding gums, suppuration of gums, loose teeth.

2. Keep the teeth and mouth

3. No. not in the ordinary sense

# ADVERTISEMENT.

A few hills of watermelons will serve to keep the ground moist during the dry scason.

Those who do not keep chickens may start

He had no complaint about the food. In most of the prisons that he had lived in the last 25 years the food was reasonably good. He trained himself never to overeat, regardless of how hungry and thred he was. This he regarded as point that our farms out the poisonous exudations that the food was reasonably good. He trained himself never to overeat, regardless of how hungry and thred he was. This he regarded as point that our farms out the poisonous exudations that he had lived in the last 25 years drawn out and comfort just soaking in. How good your tired, swollen, but the poisonous exudations that he had lived in the last 25 years the had lived in the had lived in the last 25 years the had lived in the had lived in the last 25 years the had lived in the last 25 years the had lived in the had li The minute you put your feet in a that puff up your feet and cause sore,

'TIZ" at any drug or department stability. Point number 10.

He occupied his mind when idle store for a few cents. Your feet are never going to bother you any more. A whole year's foot comfort guaranteed.

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Are there any other signs of rickets? If that is all, probably you need do nothing except to keep her heavy fully don't wo your hair becomes hair, taking one small strand at a beautifully dark, glossy, soft and off her feet.

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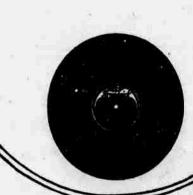
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