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#### Home Issues

THE presidential campaign in the United States, now in full swing, is to be fought out on home issues.

And well that it may, because the citizens of the And well that it may, because the citizens of the United States are more concerned about their government at home than they should be about relations with neighboring nations, tho it is an essential part of the government's functions to maintain peaceful relations with other groups of peoples.

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President Coolidge has declared for "common sense in government," and it will be the campaign slogan of the republicans, in the continuation of administration efforts to put more economy in govern

ment.

John W. Davis, democratic nominee for president, jut foremost in his campaign keynote, "Honesty in Government," thus injecting into the campaign the oil Government," thus injecting into the campaign the oil scandals which resulted in the resignation of three members of the cabinet whom President Coolidge "inherited" from his predecessor.

Senutor LaFollette, running as an independent cardidate, wants the "government returned to the people"

The more hareful situation in Europe, brot about by the pact of London, in which the reparations tangle was settled with the aid of the Dawes-Young plan, Practically eliminates foreign relations from the cam-paign and leaves the candidates free to do battle on

All this should work for betterment of the government, if the attention of the people can be focuse for a few days on that which they take all too much

for granted.

It may be possible to impress upon them that the government is in a measure a living thing, that it was not built according to a certain plan, but is elastic and grows and develops to suit the changing needs of the

New York postal employes proved a bandit proof mail car was bandit proof in a "stage robbery" and it will remain bandit-proof until some bandits rob it.

#### **Business Sentiment**

BUSINESS sentiment is changing, according to reb ports coming from many parts of the country, due to the increases in corn, wheat, and hog prices. Farming communities, such as this, are not alone

Careful investigations that have been made show that farmers will receive from 10 to 25 per cent. more for their products this year than, in 1923. The cotton states are prospering and the western

farmers are paying their debts, bank reports disclose.

A federal reserve system report shows that bank deposits increased \$1,250,000,000 from March 1 to

This is all cheering news and makes manifest that the much-discussed recovery of business is more than
a myth—that it is a reality.

The workers are going to profit with business on

the upgrade, but the pessimists and the laggards will accomplish nothing unless they get in tune with the spirit of the day.

With the London conference over, what are we going to do for news from Europe?

#### Quoting the Bibie

A SOUTHERN manufacturer, writing a letter against training streets in other principal cities of the United prohibition to the Manufacturers Record, says:
"We are commanded to eat and drink today for toit would likewise be good for the "green" driver who we die."

The Record points to the utter folly of the man in thinking that he was quoting the Bible, for this reference was to the Jews, who failing to follow the warning of the propflet, and full of hilarity, said: "Let us eat and drink for tomorrow we shall die." It was not a commandment, but people have a dailing of quoting the Bible to suit their purpose.

The way the scriptures are misinterpreted and disconnected passages brot together to uphold some particular view, might be illustrated in the old saying, showing harm that may be done by misplacing Scriptural passages: The Record points to the utter folly of the man

passages:
"Judas went out and hanged himself."
"Go then and do likewise."

#### Crime in the Press

THE judicial hearing of the evidence of Robert THE judicial hearing of the evidence of Mopert Franks in Chicago by Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb has revived the oft discussed question of whether newspapers should publish crime news.

The Detroit News made an exhaustive survey of leading papers through the United States and found that less than ten per cent of the news space was deviced to come.

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Taking into consideration the many crimes committed, this is a very small per cent of the newspaper. It should give pause to the reformers whose business would be destroyed if crime disappeared.

Publicity is a greater seterrent agency than all of the reforms ever conceived in the mind of man. It stays the hand of the criminal when fear of the consequence of the law would not.

Newspapers would be recreant to their trust if they did not publish crime news. Suppressing crime

they did not publish crime news. Suppressing crime news would be placing a premium upon crime. The American newspaper reader does not subscribe to

Many read of crimes because of the thrill that it provides, but the lesson is not lost, no matter what the motive in reading may be.

Newspapers will continue to fulfill their mission so long as they ferret out crime and draw conclusions as to the lesson taught.

Jesse James never had but one picture taken. This bit of history does not discredit photography, but it does credit to the famous bandit's foresight.

#### The Defense Test

WHEN the enemy met the American Devil Dogs at W Chateau Thierry, they knew that they were dealing with a new force and they began to feel less con-

From that day until November 11, 1918, the war was one succession of triumphs for American bravery and heroism. The men from the new world went over to finish up the task and they did it, but at a great sacrifice.

Lack of preparation, adequate training and sup-

plies cost the life of many a brave American boy.

With the experience born of the world war, congress passed the National Defense Act of 1920, which is the first time in the history of the United States

is the first time in the history of the United States that this government has ever been committed to a definite military policy.

Under the terms of this act, it is proposed to hold a Defense Test September 12. We are told it is not intended as a mobilization, but simply as a demonstration of the resources of this country, which is not intended as a mobilization, but simply as a dem-onstration of the resources of this country, which would be available in case of war. No sensible person could ever hope for war. But if war becomes inevitable, as it did in 1917, we should

prepared.

If other nations laid down their guns, sank their

battleships and junked their airplanes, the United States would be quick to join in such a movement. But so long as they are armed, it is the part of wisdom to be defenseless and invite attack.

Each session of congress always seems to be the limit, but the next one proves that it wasn't.

### **Our Heavenly Visitor**

OR the first time in more than a century the earth is relatively close to Mars, one of the eight planets that revolves about the sun.

All of the learning of the ages has been brot into

use in an effort to solve the secrets of the heavens.

All of the boasted intelligence of science and the marvelous instruments that are used in studying the universe have been utilized.

And what have we learned? Very little, if any-thing. At least science has not found the answer to

D ports coming from many parts of the country, due to the increases in corn, wheat, and hog prices.

Farming communities, such as this, are not alone in feeling the marked effect that the advances have caused, but other sections where the manufacturing industries predominate, have been stimulated by the improvement in the farmer's condition.

While wheat has been leading the march in prosperity, corn is also having its inning, and reports of a sand its "year" is divided into seasons such as ours; recoll great in some seaffore due to lete planting and its "year" is divided into seasons such as ours; leading the march in parting and its "year" is divided into seasons such as ours; when it is the six plants of the march large in the sun in one year, ten and one-half months and its "year" is divided into seasons such as ours; its day is shout 37 minutes longer than ours; it has an perity, corn is also having its inning, and reports of a and its "year" is divided into seasons such as ours; small crop in some sections due to late planting and prospects of early frosts, are sending prices soaring.

Estimates of the world's exportable surplus of this grain are around 725,000,000 bushels, which is 25,000,000 bushels short of anticipated world require—

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life.
The man has made progress in overcoming the elements, an unseen power withholds from him the knowledge of what actually exists beyond the earth's

This generation has had its fling at finding the wer to the Martian secret and has failed.

Will the next develop higher-powered instruments and better means of communication, and establish re-lations with our heavenly neighbor? That's a question for our children's children to

#### Making the Road Safe

CTING up to the suggestion of a physicologist, fol-A CTING up to the suggestion. A lowing a series of tests, a Chicago taxicab company As lowing a series of tests, a Chieago taxicab company is setting up a model street section, which will contain in life size about every form of emergency which can happen to an automobile.

New drivers will be given their training there before going out into the regular traffic.

The National Association of Taxicab Owners is planning to bring about the establishment of similar training streets in other principal cities of the United

it would likewise be good for the "green" driver who has his first experience at the wheel of an automobile.

The physicologist found that to be a "safe" driver one must not be obliged to stop and think what he must do in each instance. One brief second might mean the difference between safety and disaster in an emergency. The driver's reaction to a street sign, a traffic signal or a pedestrian steeping suddenly from the curb-should be instantaneous and automatic.

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The roads will never be safe for motoring until some sort of system is worked out, whereby drivers are given tests before being permitted to drive cars. Neither will safety be assured until every state has rural police patroling the roads as a constant menace to speeders to hold them in check.

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