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#### Lincoln and Americanism.

Abraham Lincoln's anniversary is appropriate revive among Americans new love for renewed faith American principles. The campaign has to a man convalescing from serious illness. heen started this week by the motion picture intunity," shows Lincoln breaking an engagement to deliver a political speech in order to defend a friendlers boy accused of murder.

That act of justice helps to explain why Lincoln became president in a great crisis. He did not discover new principles of Americanism, but his perception of the fundamental laws on which a free government must rest to endure was so clear and his statement of his convictions so convincing fore the roads go back to private control. that he became the leader of the forces which aved the nation from division and disintegration. Untaught in the logic of the schools, Lincoln brought to public questions the unerring logic of justice and common sense that his opponents were unable to answer. His great intellect saw to the bottom of public questions; but, what was ore important, his sense of duty led him to personal consequences.

Obedience to law was the keynole of Lincolns'<br/>philosophy of life and government, not merely<br/>statute law but the laws of justice and fair play-<br/>roday there are many who do not's under-<br/>stand the supremacy of law, and they are not al<br/>allens; there are more who wilfully disregard law<br/>in their impatience for reforms that can only<br/>and the square deal in trade, or take the law<br/>of the square deal in trade, or take the law<br/>saw this danger and warned his country ment thatIn a New York bar-room about 1889<br/>low eramina was boosting of the re-<br/>the remarkable romance, which deals with the<br/>statute law but the laws of justice and fair play-<br/>pays the bills.In a New York bar-room about 1889<br/>into the compared for a momane with that is in't to be compared for a momane with that is in't to be compared for a momane. Which deals with which the supremacy of law, and they are not all<br/>and the supremacy of law, and they are not all<br/>at the fraue structure which forms a part of the<br/>isaw of the square deal in trade, or take the law<br/>saw this danger and warned his countryment thatIn a New York bar-room about 1889<br/>law the camparism. Lowely! But even<br/>at hand will rise. Oil O dirand has a big<br/>and we drill every night and Oil Oir<br/>and we drill every night and Oil Oir<br/>and we drill every night and oil Oir<br/>advisory board of the Mission hospital to repisce<br/>into their of the servent fire-trap<br/>at the source of the word is country one press. In 1878 he assisted<br/>advisory board of the Mission hospital to repisce<br/>the frame structure which forms a part of the<br/>plased to say that she knows her husband's char.<br/>Tot argument of crimi-<br/>the citizens of Asheville. The present fire-trap<br/>the citizens of Asheville on its processiveness. A disast

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Churches as Havens From Plague.

the church is the only place where the Infinite conviction, be substituting the fear of gernis for fully reveals Himself to mankind. Many evidently the faith of God. People do not crowd the church when prayer accept that proposition, but Jesus Himself taught

sponsibility of not only discharging their duty to ness of the world? their own sense of right, but their duty to their duty to their neighbors in what may be a matter of life or death.

#### Trainman Lee Comes Back.

Demands of 2,000,000 railroad workers for time to launch in earnest a campaign of education higher wages would be heavy enough load to place not only to teach American ideals to aliens, but to upon a well man. But the director-general and the railroad chiefs have passed the buck savagely

The brotherhood of trainmen, through Presidustry. The first film made, "The Land of Oppor- dent Lee, join in the argument raised by the shop-Wilson asked the trainmen to postpone their re-

quests until government could set in motion machinery for lowering the cost of living. Mr. Lee now returns to the White House with the rather embarrassing reminder that the cost of living seems to be out of reach of man-made laws, but that wages can be raised by the administration be-

admirable clearness that rising wages do not check advancing living costs; he admitted that the existence of a vicious circle of wages and prides was no geometrical fiction, but a painful reality. That reasoning still holds good. If some of railway men are receiving an inequitable scale the government has offered relief. A general increase would espouse righteousness in government regardless of add enormously to the cost of operation which already causes predictions that the private owners Obedience to law was the keynote of Lincoln's will as one of their first acts after March 1 ask

#### warrant my backing him up in the attitude he has

taken Sunday before last I conducted two services in to cure the bolsheviki of their insantity than war. To that it may be said that the White Russians never received much aid in their struggle against their dear ones who were sick. The other service Lenine, and that if the allies are unable to give more assistance to Lenine's adversaries, commerce may as well be tried as an antidote. Churches as Havens From Plague

fure" to do the rest. These critically ill ones for whom their relatives and friends prayed so earn-estly—braving the criticism of many to do so—in A letter from an Asheville clergyman whose conscience and sense of duty move him to hold services during the epidemic once more calls at-tention to a question that has caused wide differ-

and worship cease when the church closes is to of Fatherhood and Love through Jesus Christ. To deny the omnipresence of God; it is to say that purpose in the community, would to my absolute

accept that proposition, but Jesus Himself taught otherwise when he spoke of the time when men would realize that not on the mountain nor in the temple at Jerusalem would they find a substitute for worship in spirit and in truth. Those who feel impelled by conscience to wor-ship in church at this time have the double re-sponsibility of not only discharging their duty to WILLIS G. CLARK.

Asheville, February 11.

#### THE SCISSORS ROUTE

#### BAD NOISES.

#### (Philadelphia Record)

The newspapers these days are full of a number of things that are calculated to make an old-fashloned person propound the old-fashioned query: "Whither are we drifting?" These things have to do with the simple matter of the public moral sense,

Not long ago many people who still cherish the old-time reverence for the solemnity of the mar-riage contract were shocked when certain fash-lonable folk arranged and carried out with much pomp and expense the wedding of two pet mon-keys. Only the other day a convention of cattle-men-who, perhans are not expended to diverge. we returns to the White House with the rather nbarrassing reminder that the cost of living tems to be out of reach of man-made laws, but at wages can be raised by the administration be-tre the roads go back to private control. The brotherhood chief stated last summer with imirable clearness that rising wages do not check

Ilcity and much less popular condemnation they deserve.
Breaking in upon the public interest in the first of these strange cases—which has already had too much notice—comes a dispatch from Chicago announcing that a man of middle age and large wealth, having caught his young wife in a come to be devoted to the support of an promising relation with an ex-service man who had been her sweetheart before the war, promptly decided to 'give up his wife to her hero lover." So the instructed his lawyer to begin divorce proceed ings, and the gallant lover as promptly announced it has here out marry the girl. Lovely! But even this isn't to be compared for a moment with that is isn't to be compared for a moment with that is country and is about to be married to the brother of the inevitable baby, has just arrived in this country and is about to be married to the brother of the man who wronged her.
All the characters in this tawdry drama would reserved. He ward will rise. Old Oirland has can be and muskets, and hayonets, and hayonets, and her easistation of the man who wronged her.



We had the itlnerant and vagrant "Republic of Ireland" with us a few nights ago, and its "President" and Senator Reed made addresses. The name of the President of the United States was not mentioned and that accounts for the absence of hisses that always greet his name when uttered in such now-wow. DeValera the Irish president, frankly stated he was after money, that the sum re-quired of the American people was \$10,000,000, and that the national capital was expected to raise \$100,000 and bestow it on the mendicant "republic." Report has it that one-fourth of the sum levied on Washington city has been raised and paid in. There is not the slightest doubt that the ten millions will be raised and more if there be a second call. Do you not know one is born every second?

Years ago my old friend Jim Aleck Stovall, of Chicken Bristle, Barren County, Ky, Imparted knowledge to me in this passage from the oration he was then delivering himself of: "Wal, you know a old woman will go to hell atter a hen nes"." That quota-tion will give you some idea of how far Jim Reed will go to make a stump speech, or rather the stump speech for he has but one, and it reminds of an episode pulled off in the American congress during the era of southern reconstruction. Old Ben Butler for his brains was the real leader of the republican side, Thad Stevens having died, and the small men, the Jim Reeds of that day, resented his prominence. One day for some reason old Ben felt called upon to tell the house that the execution of Mrs. Surratt was

an ineradicable national disgrace. John A. Bingham had appeared before the military commission and prosecuted Mrs. Surratt in the drum-head court martial, and he instantly re-sented and denied old Butler's statement. There was a figure is state-tween them, which Mr. Evarts read in his speech defending Andy Johnson in the impeachment proceedings. Bingham said Butler lived in a bottle and was fed on a spoon and Butler insisted that Bingham had hanged an innocent woman. By and by Bingham for the third time got the floor and began his old bloody shirt speech "It was a wicked and causeless rebel-lion, fomented by traitors who haunted this chamber when treason stalked abroad in the land"-he had got that far when old Butler roared: "Mr. far Speaker, I always did love to hear Bingham make that speech." The house roared and the proceedings abruptly closed.

And doubtless there be folks who

## **Houses Burn Down** -and-FURNITURE BURNS UP Hope soars high when life is full of joy, but when a fire burns down a home where insurance was neglected, it takes

all the hope out of a man.

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# **O. HENRY**

makes the heroine in his story, "Strictly Business," say: "It's kind of hobby of mine to want to cravenette myself

for plenty of wet days in the future."

She was wise.

A Savings Account is excellent protection against the storms that are bound to come.

# **American National Bank**

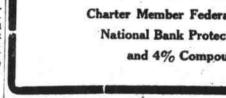
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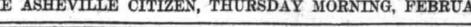


Sailors Planned to Escape From Richmond Jail, Police Declare.

Several other TODAYS ANNIVERSARIES. over until tomorrow. 1554—Lady Jane Grey, one of the prisoners testified that Vance and most pathetic figures in English winkler urged them to join in the most pathetic figures in English history, executed in the Tower of London. Born in 1537. 1791—Peter Cooper, the founder of Cooper Union, born in New York city. Died there, April 4. 1883. 1883. 1847—Seventy-two lives lost in the wreck of the West India mail steamer Tweed off the coast of Yucatan. 1870—Brigham Young approved the bill granting suffrage to the wo-me of Ultab.

# Daily Reminder IN THE DAY'S NEWS.





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stated it, that the nation could not exist half free death and sorrow to individuals and brought shame and half slave. Today the question is whether to the city. '

anti-bolsheviki has made dismal failure.

That failure was due to fundamental causes.

govenment could be crushed by force, and the peace negotiations now undertaken by Poland and soviet Russia remove the chief reason for allied intervention. If Lenine makes peace with the Poles and recognizes the border states, Lloyd George apparently has hopes that sovietism will Editor of The Citizen; take on the form of constitutional government. Such a government must, he says, be established before the western world will recognize bolshevik min which is researing to those who understand or field guilty. Not guilty of violating any law of man take on the form of constitutional government. rule, which is reassuring to those who understand

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saw this danger and warned his countrymen that the republic would disappear in mob rule unless every child learned the lesson of obedience to law. Solution of the state of th The great issue of Lincoln's day was, as he tempted expiation of the neglect which caused

to venerate it. Those who resort to violence must be imprisoned or deported, but radicalism will to the professionals. Boxing, no less than define the solution of the fashioning of a new and better era. Yet it is precisely against these efforts that Mr. Gompers hurls his Mariian thunbe overcome only by understanding its causes, by speaking, maketh a ready man; and the ders. remedy for evils and education in what American chances are that the student who excels in the Washington which have struggled valiantly to find

invasion of the near cast or of Poland and western a man "good with his fists."

Europe; at least he finds reasons that discount such If the art is generally revived in educational tears. Lenine cannot organize an army large institutions, perhaps casualties in those places this exploit, Mr. Gompers made certain vaguely enough for such enterprises, says the prime minis- where hazing survives will increase to such an insisted on definitions of the terms to which they ter, although he admits that the campaign of the extent that sophomores will be permanently were to hold themselves responsible, Mr. Gompers restrained from their favorite pastime.

That failure was due to fundamental causes. says Lloyd George although the causes are not stated. But an underlying reason for Kolchak's breakdown must be that many more than 1,000,000 men under the existing conditions day be to be field an army of more than 1,000,000 men understood. Lloyd George has never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's Lloyd George has never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's stated. Such as never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's stated. Such as never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's stated. Such as never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's stated. Such as never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's stated. Such as never believed that Lemine's covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's states covernment could be crushed by force, and the 's the state coverned the state of the state of the

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

REV. MR. CLARK STATES HIS POSITION.

or God about the opening of the church, but guilty of letting Brother Ervin stand before the public All recent trade overtures with Russia as the first of letting Brother givin stand butter the fully

### THE SANCITITY OF THE STRIKE.

(New York Times.)

and half slave. Today the question is whether the nation can live half autocratic and half demo-cratic. The autocracy of wealth has been averted; the autocracy of labor is the provide adequate accommodations for the autocracy of labor is the provide adequate accommodations for cratic. The autocracy of wealth has been averted: the autocracy of labor is threatened by radicals or communists who would substitute either soviet-ism or nationalization of industry. And millions who take pride in their democracy are idle, ex-travagant and indifferent to the rights of their neighbors and their own duties to the government whose protection they enjoy. America needs a revival of Americanism, be-simplify its spirit. Mob vengeance, profileering, corruptiou in polities, exploitation of the poor auto sorruptiou in polities, exploitation of the poor auto triendless, must be sad disillusionment to the time. Suppose

friendless, must be sad disillusionment to the im-migrants who come here expecting to find a people living up to the high teachings of Washington. Jefferson and Lincoln, Americans must first love their own land more before they can expect allens to venerate it. Those who resort to violence must

There have been two industrial conferences at theriv means for Americans and the world. "manly art of self-defense" will find that his a means by which conflicts between employers and employed may be peaceably and equitably settled. In the first conference two of the three component Lloyd George on Russia. Premier Lloyd George does not fear bolshevik the list of mighty men at Troy Pollux is recorded as arbitrate the steel strike-one of the most flagrantly factitious strikes in the history of organized la, bor, which was already virtually lost. Failing in Failing in ceded from the conference with a threat of fare.

The second conference, more wisely constituted

duelist who stands for the right to kill his man, of the "patriot" who will not abate one jot of his of the commission have not intimated country's "sovereignty" in order to fulfill the desire the nature of the decision which may of all true patriots since Washington that "this be handed down any time now, but plague of mankind may be abolished from the those who have followed the action earth What Mr. Gompers is standing for is what he has nature, believe that

too often stood for in the past, namely, the privilege made a showing that will justify the of his single class against the rights of the American people.

BOILED DOWN. of the Lodge resolutions and arguments the ice by getting an increase the

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and the Sinn Fein cause is no more solvent than the Fenian layout. It is not by twisting the British

men of Utah. -Alexandre Mouton, Acadian governor of Louisiana died near Lafayette, Pa. Born on Bayou Carencro, La., November 19, 1804.

make needed improvements.

in other cases of gas companies is whether or not the granting of the increase shall carry with it the con-

dition that the company make needed improvements within a given length of time after the increase is grant-That has been the point involved The Winston-Salem Co. May in the case of some of the street car companies. And in some instances companies. And in some instances Be Granted the Increase i after the increase was granted the companies failed to live up to their part of the understanding about the

improvements. At least- that is the allegation of citizens in some of these, Representatives of the public who have been before the commission in

all cases where increases in rates charged by public utilities, have fought these increases as a matter of



TODAY'S EVENTS.

One hundred and eleventh anniver-sary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. The Lincoln club of Grand Rapids. 

press her contempt for our American demagogues who pretend to love Ire-land more than Ireland loves herself. ent revenues, and that it is impos-called to order in Chicago today by called to order in Chicago today by sible for them to borrow money from Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, the na-tinancial institutions on which to tional president.

make needed improvements. The point involved in the Winston case, and the one that will be involved ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR.

Allies agreed on terms of new armisfic

Bolsheviki resumed the offensive in Northern Russia.

> STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION

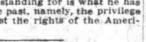
To All to Whom These Presents May

To All to Whom These Presents any Come-Greeting: Whereas, It appears to my satis-faction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders depos-tion in my office that the Asheville

this Certificate of Dissolution: Now. Therefore, I. J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 29th day of January, 1920, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceed-ings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law. In Testimony Thereof, I have here-tofore set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this the 29th day of January, A. D. 1920. J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of State

Secretary of State 5-12-19-26

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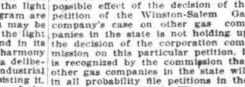
boiled down for the busy reader; Swat Wilson.- others followed. Those who have Louisville Courier-Journal. studied the public utility question say 36

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of the commission in cases of like the