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THE LAMUST BE OBSERVED. Thus far there has been no lawlessness on the part of the striking steel workers and it is most earnestly to be hoped that there will be none.

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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION. State of Nebraska, Douglas County, ss. George B. Tschuck, secretary of The Bee Publishing Company, being duly sworn, says that the total number of copies of The Omaha Daily Bee printed during the month of July, 1901, was as follows:

Table with columns for date and circulation figures. Total circulation for July 1901 is 784,915.

NET DAILY SALES. Net daily average, 775,913. Loss unsold and returned copies, 25,000.

PARTIES LEAVING FOR SUMMER. Parties leaving the city for the summer may have The Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee Business Office, in person or by mail.

Those practical jokers up at O'Neill work on the theory that April fools' day lasts all the year round. A war ship has been ordered to the Pacific side of the Isthmus of Panama.

A scientist has figured it out that it requires one-fourth of a second to wink. That is altogether too slow to shut off the small boy when he starts to tell something he should not divulge.

Everyone from Omaha who has visited the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo has come away with a better appreciation of the Transmississippi Exposition he enjoyed so much right at home.

Van R. Magninis of Leon thinks he would like to run for governor of Iowa on the democratic ticket. He ran unsuccessfully for congress once and should be in condition to stand snowing under.

The people knew they were indulging a luxury when they submitted to democratic control of our county affairs, but is not blowing \$10,000 for political grading in a single bluck making it come pretty high?

The money Omaha invests in new paving this year will not make an imposing figure. It looks as if the paving contractors prefer to hold the work over until another year, when they can get higher bids accepted.

It is a matter of vital importance," said Mr. Oxnard in the interview from which we have already quoted, "that the American public should understand clearly the situation as it exists today and let them decide whether we are to grow our sugar at home and save the \$100,000,000 which we send abroad annually to allow that sugar to be grown in foreign countries and brought to this country and given over to the Sugar Trust to refine and afterwards dictate what price shall be paid for it."

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The abuse that is by all odds the most rank in the promiscuous grading and road-building in which thousands upon thousands of dollars are dumped in the interest and for the benefit of political pie-bits. Most of these improvements are unwarranted and unnecessary. While the county owns several grading machines, the saving that might have been effected by their use has been squandered and a large proportion of the improvements carried on by the commissioners has cost three prices, instead of being awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

The so-called labor payroll in itself is a revelation. Hundreds of men have drawn pay for work done on improvements, visible and invisible. To cap the climax the commissioners are about to let contracts involving an expenditure of more than \$10,000 for grading roads that the county is not obliged to grade and for improvements that are being engineered for political purposes.

In the meantime the county funds are constantly growing less and the taxpayers will have to face another heavy overlap before the next levy is made. It strikes us that it is about time for the Board of County Commissioners to call a halt. There is no valid excuse for draining the treasury to pay for improvements that are not needed at this time and which can be dispensed with for years to come.

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Habit of the Colonel. Minneapolis Journal. Colonel Jones of Arkansas has caused a serious shock to our institutions by emerging suddenly from obscurity and predicting that the next president will be a democrat. If we remember rightly, Jonsey predicted the same thing in 1896 and in 1900 and was found to have been playing too far off his base.

Farmer Doing Right Well. Chicago Post. In the large wheat crop the United States sees compensation for the partial failure in corn. It may not be much comfort to the farmer who has grown little or no wheat and planted largely of corn, but the wheat is likely to bring a good price; and the general effect will be gratifying. Taken as a whole the year is not likely to prove bad for the farmer in the United States.

Concerning Monson's Bluff. Philadelphia Press. T. L. Monson, the state dairy commissioner of Colorado, who is willing to allow himself to be experimented on in order to prove that bovine tuberculosis is not communicable to man, if he knows anything at all about bacteriology ought to know that such an experiment could decide nothing in case he escaped infection. Every one is exposed to pathogenic (disease-causing) bacteria daily, but disease does not necessarily follow exposure because the resultant power of the human organism when in a state of health is very great. If it were not so, if the ingress of the bacteria of tuberculosis or of typhoid fever and other afflictions meant disease absolutely, the world would soon be stricken with a universal pestilence.

As yet the patience of the steel workers has not been put to a severe test. The strike is but a month old and the resources of the men are not yet exhausted. If the conflict should be protracted until the means of subsistence are exhausted then will be danger of lawlessness. So, too, gains by the corporation that seemed to threaten defeat of the strikers might be provocative of keeping constantly before the minds of the men the duty of observing the law and so conducting themselves as not to forfeit public sympathy.

In Lancaster county the republican county committee is made up of one member from every voting district. This gives an organization that reaches into every precinct and is certainly better than that which prevails here in Douglas county, where the committee membership is distributed entirely arbitrarily. In Douglas county, precincts with from fifty to 150 republican voters to look after have two committeemen assigned to the work, while city wards with 1,500 voters have to be cared for by only three. The republican organization in Douglas county should be re-modeled on the precinct plan of Lancaster county.

Shamrock II, placed in dry dock on this side, reveals the fact that the wonderful secrets of designing so carefully guarded long since, ceased to be secrets on this side. In fact, the new British creation is almost a pattern of Columbia. As John Bull has been going it alone in designing yachts for many years and getting left just as regularly, it is encouraging to see he has learned by experience.

Vice President Roosevelt is now on his way back west. On this western trip the vice president profited from the experience of his previous Colorado hunting tour and remained within reach of the telegraph wires, thus defeating the fake correspondents, ready to spring a supply of lurid tales upon the public. Roosevelt is too wise to walk into the same trap twice.

Arbiter of Glory. Baltimore American. Admiral Crowsfield has not yet announced who is to be the hero of the Colombian revolution.

Way of a Wonder. Indianapolis News. It is no use to deny Boss Croker. He is a very remarkable man. Born in Ireland living in England, he dictates to the only effective organization of the democratic party north of Mason and Dixon's line.

Point Overlooked. Washington Star. Sleeping car porters ilk of organizing and having a schedule of tips printed so that they will no longer risk being insulted with scant gratuities. The idea of applying to the Pullman company for an increase of salary seems never to have occurred to them.

Omaha Also. Cincinnati Commercial Tribune. If the six beautiful Hoosier girls who kissed Prof. Eiss, and were arrested in consequence, are still in the business there is a delay for a time as to whether the permit should be tried on them—and the offer is always open.

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