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MAY CIRCULATION. 57,852 Daily—Sunday 52,748

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DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 3d day of June, 1916.

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Wall street is entitled to credit for the courage of tagging its favorite son.

"Watching Omaha Grow" is an attractive task, but it can't be done by loafing around the job.

Viewing the wreckage from afar it is evident the North Sea naval battle yields glory enough to go around.

Critics and desecrators of the flag not only invite trouble, but expose the vacancies in their upper stories.

A record-breaking output of wine is reported in Germany. A satisfactory celebration is assured when peace comes.

A change of presidents will have no perceptible effect on the smooth running of the Overland line. It is built that way.

The advance guard of the noise makers has reached St. Louis, indicating that the ratification meeting will be held as scheduled.

Favorite sons are just coming to the realization of what has been apparent to the rest of us for some time—that the people want Hughes.

Senator Kern will nominate Tom Marshall for vice president at St. Louis. Can Governor Morehead's songster match the Hoosier Calliope?

The test of efficiency is accomplished. If the celebrated lake breeze holds down the temperature at Chicago its reputation is secure for all time.

Juvenile crime has reached alarming proportions along the war zones in Austria. Evidently the force of government example is working overtime.

In the light of the heaping prosperity of the railroads the 3 per cent raise of the State Board of Equalization in valuation barely breaks into the class of small change.

The tragic fate of the Scott Antarctic expedition and the perils encountered by the Shackleton party emphasizes the wonderful luck of Captain R. Amundsen in getting away with South pole honors two years ago.

Lay and clerical promoters of "International Industrialism" confidently believe that burning the American and other flags will get them somewhere. Their confidence is well placed. The country's temper is reaching the point where it may show the open door to radicals of this class.

A clause tacked onto the navy bill provides for a commission to co-operate with other nations in formulating plans to enforce peace after the present war. The project insures soft berths for prospective "lame ducks," and expands the Bryan system of prolonged international conversation.

Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha. Compiled from Bee Files. Next Sunday's game of base ball will be between the Union Pacific and the Leadvilles.

Regulating Price Movement.

Another of the forgotten promises of the Baltimore platform is now being resurrected by the democrats. The high cost of living is being forced on attention as it never was before, and various excuses for the increase under the democratic administration are being presented.

The high cost of living is a serious problem in every American home. The republican party in its platform attempts to escape from responsibility for present conditions by denying that they are due to a protective tariff.

Three years of democratic rule finds the cost of living still going up, but nothing new is said about "import duties on the necessities of life" or "criminal conspiracies."

Failure of the democrats to redeem a promise to reduce the cost of living will scarcely be improved by invoking the tremendous power of the Federal Reserve board to limit credit and check the ordinary business of the country.

Barely half a dozen years ago prophets of woe filled the land with lamentations for the country's safety. Every patriot with money to lend foresaw the country rushing to disaster.

The system of savings decried and denounced before birth has proven signally successful in a few years. Half a million depositors have over \$80,000,000 to their credit, and that great sum piled under the \$500 deposit limit.

The moral of the incident is: "Don't holler before you are hit."

Pageant of Lincoln Deserves Support. A group of enterprising citizens of Lincoln, co-operating with the faculty and student body of the University of Nebraska, has taken up the pageant idea and is prepared to make one of the most remarkable displays ever offered in the state.

John T. Bell very justly resents criticism of the work done by the reporters who made up the records of the Nebraska constitutional convention of 1871.

The death of Colonel John S. Mosby revives memories of the days when he was esteemed a terror on the fringes of the union army. This trait survived the war and characterized his activities as a government official.

The passing of Nevada's oldest newspaper, the Territorial Enterprise, is an incident typical of changing conditions of the west. But its memories will not pass. The associations which made it famous in the golden days of Virginia City are as secure as the romantic rise and fall of the famous mining camp.

One fact rises clearly above the disputed claim and contradictions in the wake of the great naval battle. The contest raged a few miles in the bottom of the North Sea.

The Mystery of Dreaming

WHAT causes dreams, and how can they be prevented? asks a correspondent. "Subjective phenomena dependent on natural causes, or trains of ideas which present themselves to the mind during sleep," is the definition of dreams given by an authority on the subject—if there be such authority.

The "natural causes" may mean disturbances of the nervous system produced by such things as indigestion, latent disease, over-fatigue, excitement of the sensorial nerves not sufficiently intense to awake the sleeper, etc., and their reaction upon the cells of the brain is easily enough understood.

If we knew the real nature of consciousness and of thought we might contrive a better account of dreams. As it is, we cannot go beyond mere mechanical explanation.

"In a dream, in a vision of the night when sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed; then he openeth the ears of men and scatheth their instruction."

Perhaps, after all, the characteristic of dreaming is not, as generally assumed, incoherence, but freedom. When awake, you hamper the mind with those obstacles and impossibilities of all sorts that tyrannize over your waking life.

True, it may be affirmed that the experiences which we seem to have in a dream are based upon those of waking life, so that, after all, the imagination does not entirely cast off the fetters. But, granting that, still the mystery is not explained.

The stories of such dreams are innumerable, beginning in the Bible and running all through human literature and tradition. We who pique ourselves on our knowledge are apt to smile a little loftily at these and put them all aside with the phrase "mere coincidence."

Twice Told Tales. Proof Wanted. Father sat in his study one afternoon writing out a speech, when his son called shrilly from the garden.

What Could He Do? "I hate to be contradicted," she said. "There's a word, contradict you," he returned.

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WINS ON HOME TOPICS. Springfield, Mass.—Now that the news that the army bill is now in the hands of the executive committee of the National Association of Manufacturers, it is well to take the time to consider the many home topics that can be visited in the famous old village.

The Bee's Letter Box. Warns Against War. Lincoln, June 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: What have we learned by living in the world? To read the sermons delivered in the New England states on Decoration day, and the editorials of the big newspapers of the large cities, one would almost come to the conclusion that we were living in the dark ages.

Licenses for Automobiles. Omaha, May 30.—To the Editor of The Bee: Can you say why it is that about two-thirds of the automobiles seen daily on the streets of Omaha are for motor cars?

Poor Little Sick Bear. Omaha, June 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: What is the idea, in the indifference shown to the "baby" bear at Riverview park, with the injured paw?

Bellevue and the College Play. Omaha, June 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: Reference has been made in your columns recently to the Bellevue college play to be given Monday evening at 8:30 "In the Grove."

What a nuisance children are at times! grumbled the parent as he put down his pen and advanced to the window. With a half-smile he raised the sash and stuck forth his head.

"I am," he conceded. "And you do not love me?" "I don't," he replied.

For a moment she was silent. "Well," she said at last, "I do hate a man who's weak enough to be led by a woman."

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National Security league had had the task of getting that sort of legislation out of congress, it would probably have got nothing.

Philadelphia Ledger: The "thick-and-thin" supporters of the president for whom nomination was being shouted loudly a year ago for giving Bernstorff his passports are now terribly thin-skinned over the possibility of a republican candidate not being "too proud to fight."

Dear Mr. Kabbie, My fiancé lost his job—What shall I do?—Nellie. HOLD ON TO YOURS.

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