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As a death trap, Carter lake shows no signs of abating its record.

That county jail-feeding graft does not look any better as it grows bigger.

It is to laugh! One lawyer berating another lawyer about the character of his clients!

It takes a proficient ball team, let it be understood, to lose two games in one afternoon.

Whether the rain falls on the unjust or not, Nebraska farmers know that it falls on the just.

President Emeritus Eliot's degrees will outreach his five-foot bookshelf before a great while.

Perusal of the Commoner's advertising colamns shows that at least one grapejuice manufacturer is not ungrateful.

It is good to know that democratic harmony Nebraska is so thick. The only danger is that it may break of its own weight,

"Villa is still in the saddle," says the Baltiore American. Not very still, we fear, judging from the latest bulletins from the front.

Reports of the recurring eruptions of Mount Lassen may all be true, but how has the voljano managed to escape the movies this long?

As another rap for civil corvice, the president has reduced the maximum age limit for admission to examinations from 60 to 50 years.

One of the most vital basic principles of oranized labor is on trial in that Butte mining situation just now-its contractual responsi-

Remember, though, when inclined to fear the possibility of too much rain for the wheat, that the corn is still growing and can drink a pt of IL

Even though we may not avoid an insans ind unsafe Fourth, let us at least repress the ignoble rage of our commercialized celebration until the fatal day is at hand.

Cole Blease, South Carolina's flery govornor, has nearly had another fist fight. The uccess with which this bully avoids fist fights seems to be one of his strong points.

It is a hit bird that flutters, which accounts for the fact that the honest, upright lawyer is not the one who continues to be so agitated over exposure of the crooks in his profession.

The Dolan estates of Philadelphia, estiated at \$35,000,000, has been tied up in court. Did the simple heirs imagine that the lawyers were going to overlook anything as good as

If any want to talk in the parks, or sing in the parks, or read in the parks, or even sleep in the parks, what's the harm providing they refrain from physical violence and do not seribusly disturb the neighbors?

After two years of municipal ownership, water rates in Omaha are still only 1 2-3 cents per 1,600 gallons below the rate fixed by the Water board for the old company to charge, Pretty near time for a real dividend.



The Union Pacifics d'd not do a thing to the Naflonals of St. Louis but goose-org them, while the home team piled up thirtzen runs. McKelvey, Bandle and Salisbury carried oif the fielding honors.

The city council followed up the indictment of the mayor by the grand jury by preferring charges of impeachment aga not him and suspending him from office in the interval. Th's put the president of the council, P. J. Murphy, in the saddle as acting mayor. A. B. Davenport, the affable room clerk at the Millard, has departed with his family for Ohio, to be cone about three weeks.

Reuben Wood, who has taken charge of the Club stables, is an old resident of Omaha, having moved to this city in 1817.

On several front doors of salcons was seen the folowing notice: "No Admittance. Side or Back Door." and had the desired negult of a good back-door trade. George W. Cook of the shoe firm of Tyrrell & Cook left on a business trip through the state.

Mrs. T. W. Read, 527 Pleasant street, wants a good kirl for general housework. Two or three first-class carpenters can secure em Ployment at Frank D. Mead's, 215 South Sixteenth

The Demand for a New Constitution.

Does Nebraska need a new constitution? Some times we feel that such a change might bring added dignity, prosperity and tranquillity to the commonwealth. Then we see the names of many who are working for the proposed constitutional convention and our enthusiasm melts like butter neath a July sun. Beaders who are inquisitive might be informed that men who fought the armory proposition, from motives of the Higher Patriotism, are also working for a new constitution.-Nebraska City Press.

The writer might have added that this is not the first time a demand for a complete new constitution for Nebraska has been voiced. It used to be regularly called for by the old railroad contingent eager to get from under-some of the restrictive provisions of the constitution that give the people some rights as against the railroads. The demand for a constitutional convention is usually backed by two classes of patriots-one set that has failed to put something across for which such a convention might give a new opening, and another set aspiring lawyers hot for the glory of signing their names to a new draft of our fundamental law.

The truth is, however, that with the initiative provision we now have for petitioning all sorts of proposed amendments up to the people,, the urgent necessity for a constitutional convention has been relieved. In fact, the folks clamoring for a new constitution can get together at will and draw one to suit themselves, and submit it by initiative for popular ratification or rejection. This would save the taxpayers the expense of a convention-but that presumably is not the kind of patriotism inspiring the de-

The Magnitude of Advertising.

Advertising has become a vital factor in all lines of trade and commerce. It is itself a great, big business. It has been referred to as the life-blood of commercial affairs, and the term seems very apt when we consider how largely business success today depends upon advertising. No concern of any importance fails to include an appropriation for advertising in its annual budget. Men are trained in the science of advertising just as they are in any other commercial pursuit; trained, some of them, in the very detail of appropriating and expending money for advertising.

The magnitude of the business or science, or whatever we choose to call it, is such, therefore, as to make advertising essentially representative in character. Which leads us to say that, as another step in the closer mutual interests of Canada and the United States, it seems highly appropriate that the Associated Advertising Clubs of America should meet this year in Toronto, perhaps the most American of all Canadian cities. For trade and commerce know no boundary lines. There is perhaps no other single form or class of business more thoroughly representative or better calculated to further the mutual interests of the two countries separated by the imaginary dominion line.

Need for Better Regulations.

The third drowning in ten days at Carter lake calls attention anew to the need of better regulations at this popular resort, as well as at others in the environs of Omaha. The Bee ventured to sound a warning at the beginning of the summer season to those who visit and those who conduct these places. We hoped the season might end without the loss of a life, but instead it has hardly more than begun till three

The young man drowned Sunday went down in twenty feet of water. It is said he was not an expert swimmer. Perhaps he cramped or lost his nerve-at any rate he is dead and another family is crushed. Is it not possible by some means or other to lessen the number of these tragedies? Inexpert swimmers should not be permitted in twenty feet of water. Zones of varying depth should be created for different persons and guards should be kept on watch.

Let us hope that the usual indifference will not be the end of this case; that regulations insuring safety as far as humanly possible will ceme out of it.

Gospel of Good Health. Physicians and surgeons enroute to their na-

tional convention in Atlantic City stopped over and filled church pulpits on Sunday in Philadelphia, all preaching a single gospel of health. Happily, here is a propaganda in which all are commonly concerned. Folks may differ in their views of theology and church polity, their ideas of the use and function of medicine and other agencies for treating human ills, but they do not differ when it comes to the salient features of modern sanitation as the sine qua non of good health. This twentieth century gospel of good health rests entirely on the principle that prevention is better than cure and deals, therefore, with first causes. It puts the emphasis of the effort on causes rather than effects. For example, it demands pure food, pure water. clean living quarters, plenty of fresh air, segregation of certain diseases, a war of extermination on germ-bearing pests and reasonable working hours and conditions for all who toil. It makes absolutely no difference about a man's religious proclivities or views for or against the theory of materia medica he believes in and works for this gospel because it is simply common sense and reason visualized.

It is impossible in the space of a newspaper discussion to recount the long list of triumphs this gospel has achieved, but 'rey are such as to inspire and impel the most eager activity possible for other conquests. In passing let us simply note the discoveries and conquests with respect to such dread maladies as yellow fever and consumption and then pause for reference to the results already of the anti-fly crusade. "Swat the fly" has proved to be one of the most puissant shibboleths ever cried. And even with the partial extermination of the purveyor of deadly germs it is utterly impossible to estimate the good accomplished.

A sky-piercing shriek proclaims Lincoln's insistent desire to have some of the Rock Island's newly raised money spent in Lincoln. Go to it! But do not let this sordid greed for the material distract or divert from the cultivation of the lofty and beautiful ideal which apurns such base things.

"Why do they say that a wedding is 'solemnized?"" asks the Houston Post. Perhaps on the supposition that it is well to begin the marriage life solemnly regardless of what comes afterward.



Brief contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters sublect to condensation by editor.

Chance for War with Germany. SILVER CREEK, June 19.- To the Editor of The Ree: Do you not know that we are in imminent danger of immediate war with Germany? Do not the American people realize that even now whole German navy may be on its way to our shores? It is a fact that such a war is pending, and yet I guesa that I am the only man in the United States who has thought of it. Don't you think you ought Immediately to send a telegram to President Wilson and put him next? I would do it myself, but, infortunately. I have not the requisite loose change in my pocket.

But let me explain You probably read in yesterday's Bee that a cop at Champagne. Ill., fired a shot point blank at the German ambassador, Count Johann von der Bernstorff, who happened to be in that town, and that the mayor apologized to the count and told him that that cop's commission would be revoked. Now, do you suppose for a minute that the German emperor, if he ever hears of it, is going to stand for a thing of that sort? He certainly will not. He will inform President Wilson that the mayor's apology is not sufficient, and will demand of him that he run up the German flag somewhere in the city of Washington and give it a national salute with one of those big sixteen-inch guns of ours. Wilson will probably refuse, or else adopt a policy of "watchful wait over and take possession of New York City by way of getting satisfaction just as Wilson Gid of Vera Cruz. I can see only one possible thing to prevent such a dire calamity, and that is that Bryan should go out to meet the Germans in his battleship Friendship, with its hold well stored with cases of grape juice, and either persuade them to go back home or sink the whole outfit.

I said there was danger of war. But come to think further about it, there will not be any war. Emperor Wilhelm would probably be content to hold New York and run the custom house, putting the revenues in his own pocket, if only we would be good and not fight. But if he were not content and should manifeat any signs of sending his navy up here to Silver Creek, either President Wilson or Mr. Weatherly's peace society at Lincoln would get the king of the Cannibal Islands, or some other high and mighty potentate, to mediate. CHARLES WOOSTER.

The Star of Villa.

OMAHA, June 20 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Your editorial entitled, "Not an Inexpected Outcome," was rather pretous and not in good taste,

You have no evidence to hear you out in your indictment of Villa as a soldier of fortune, and Carranza as a scheming politician. On the other hand everything seems to point to them as sincere men having the interest of the Mexican proletaire at heart. At least, you might suspend judgment until their sincerity has been put to the test

We can rest assured that no matter what the ultimate outcome is, the conditions can not be any worse than they have been under Diaz, Madero and Huerta. We can, at least, rest assured of one thing, and that is the revolution is on to stay uptil the Mexican proletaire gets a semblance of social and economic jus-

Their sense of wrong endured for centuries has become manifest and their in dignation has become aroused after all of this time of servitude and now they have at last awakened from their long sleep and turned their faces toward the light of truth. Their head high, their shoulders erect and the light of a triumphant revolution shining in their eyes fullfilling the destiny of all people's tongues and creeds-that of progress always toward the light of eternal truth, social and economic justice, the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Be fair to Villa and Carranza, as you would that others be fair to you

JESSIE T. BRILLHART, 2061 Pacific street.

A Wooster Volunteer. COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., June 22.-To the Editor of The Bee: One of your correspondents from Phillips, Neb., complains about Mr. Wooster's attitude towards Mr. Bryan's henchman, Signor Metcalfe, and enters complaint that Mr. Wooster is not a fair critic, and to support the charges alleges that Mr. Wooster ridicules the Bible and "antagonizes religion."

Now it cannot be too frequently relterated that there is a separation of church and state in Nebraska, and that the person who is a church adherent and one who is not have equal rights to their opinions as to current political opinions Mr. Mercalfe is a well known prohibitionist, besides being a creature of Mr. Bryan, and in view of the performances of prohibitionists in places where they have a majority, and where there is an utter lack of fair play, and a maximum amount of fanaticism, it is small wonder that Mr. Wooster, and others like him, have a word or two to say on the subject. Then, too, your correspondent at Phillips must not think that a man must be a Methodist to hold office in Nebraska. Some of us who know something of the political history of the county in which Mr. Wooster resides can recall that on the occasion of the last campaign for a seat in the legislature every clergyman of the "kill joy" denominations fought Mr. Wooster, but the majority of the voters it appears were not members of the "kill joy" denominations and Mr. Wooster was elected. Verbum sap WALTER BREEN.

Around the Cities

Cleveland must now annually pay \$1,553,763.81 interest on municipal debt. Pittsburgh prohibits acceptance or use f base ball passes by city employes.

Portland, Ore., must extensively repair servoirs to stop serious waste of water. St. Louis is to have a new hotel at Fourth and Washington streets to cost \$3,000,000.

New York's deaths from street-accident killings alone are equal to the entire death rate of a suburban town of 15,000 to 20,000 people. Controller Prendergast figures the per

capita per annum cost of running the New York City government at \$55.44. For the normal family of five, with one wage-earner, that is \$177.20 paid indirectly by poor, as well as rich, in rentals and car fares that go to meet franchise taxes. | National Monthly.

State's Most Useful Man

So Dean Bessey Is Dubbed by H. T. Dobbins in Associated Sunday Magazine.

Making Two Blades Grow Instead of One. With no coal or minerals within its borders, Nebraska has been compelled to devote its energies o the development of its agricultural resources. It ollows that any man who has been able not only of make two blades of grass grow where but one grow before, but to make a thousand different kinds f grasses thrive where but a scanty few furnished ville Courier-Journal. rage for great herds of cattle, has made a strong old for the appellation of a state's most useful citizen. If in addition thereto he has been successful in inducing hard-headed farmers, men with a dis-In inducing hard-headed farmers, men with a dis-position to look askance at any college professor who professes to be able to teach them anything about him out late."—Dtroit Prec Press. farming that they have not secured from close con tact with the soil, to adopt methods that have multiplied the crops of the fields again and again, it may well be understood why the honor is so generally accorded him.

rally accorded him.

"How?"
"By the thumb prints."
"Oh, no, I can't. When Tommie gets through with a pie there aren't any thumb prints."—Yonkers Statesman. been accomplished by Dr. Charles Edwin Bessey.
ranking dean and head of the department of botany at the University of Nebraska. Ranking almost as high with them in them in them in the most of life's sunshine this minute. high with them in the value of results achieved is the fact that he is the author of a law that provides for the teaching of agriculture in the rural, graded. high and normal schools of the state. Just as trades and manual training schools are of great importance in a state in which manufacturers are predominant. so are agricultural courses in schools valuable in a state whose wealth comes largely from its soil. It was pioneer work that he undertook and to make possible the teaching of agriculture in the elementary schools it became necessary for him to call to his aid several of his assistant professors in the State university and prepare a textbook for the use of stulents, the first of its kind in the United States.

Dr. Bessey came to Nebraska twenty-nine years ago from the University of lows, where he built up a department of botany that ranked with the best in the universities of the country. He left a well equipped laboratory and a well supported department to take charge of the College of Agriculture in Nebraska, which could not boast even a miscroscope. As dean of this new college he received no more salary than in the position he vacated; but he saw in it an opportunity for useful work. He began at the bottom and built the school into one of the best in the west, after which he retired to the teaching of botany and gave over the active reins to younger

Interesting the Farmer Boys.

When engaged in the work of interesting the farmrs of Nebraska in the new college of inducing them to send their boys to study farming from books, and of battering down the walls of prejudice against teaching agriculture elsewhere than on the farm, he traveled from one end of the state to the other. He made dozens of addresses at all sorts of gatherings, made up exhibits of grains and grasses for fairs, organized farmers' institutes, and talked better farming methods to all who would come. He showed how waste and inefficiency could be banished, how by proper seed selection and cultivation and rotation of crops costs of production could be reduced and yields increased. It was hard, uphill work; but he succeeded so well that at the recent session of the legislature it was with difficulty that a proposal of the farmers to move the State university to the state farm and make the college of agriculture the nucleus of a future great state university was defeated by the academicians.

Dr. Bessey has been repeatedly called up to serve n an executive capacity, and was acting chancellor for months on three different occasions while the governing body was deciding on a permanent president. Several times he has refused offers from other universities, one of them carrying a salary twice that he received in Nebraska; giving as his reason that he had greater opportunities there for carrying on original research, and that he felt he could be more useful to the people of Nebraska than in any other field

Many High Honors Have Come to Him.

The genius for research that marked him as a college student has been his all his yeads, and he has admittedly contributed more to the total of botanical knowledge in the United States than any other living scientist. He ranks as one of the leaders of this science in the world. He is author of a dozen different works, many of them used as textbooks in the universities of the country, and all of them containing much that was new, and the direct result of his own indefatigable efforts at getting at the secrets of nature. His talents and genius have been given general recognition among the scientists of the United States. He was president of the Botanical Society of America for two years, president of the Society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science for a similar period. head of the department of natural sciences of the National Educational association, and only recently retired from the presidency of the honor association among scientists, that of the American Society for the Advancement of Science. On the roll of officers of this society had previously appeared such names as Agassis, Dans, Newcomb, Le Conte, Henry, Rogers, Pierce, Torrey, Hall, all of whom shed luster upon the history of science.

An Ohioan born, Dr. Bessey received his education in Michigan, and when he informed the president that he had decided to take up botany instead of civil engineering the president told him, "I'm glad of it; but you'll never be rich." In the matter of worldly goods this prediction has come true; but in a higher sense it was a false prophecy. This was demonstrated recently, when a public banquet, at which hundreds of Nebraskans were present and the governor and other high officials made complimentary speeches, was given Dean Beasey, and the title of "The Most Useful Man in Nebraska" was bestowed

Twice Told Tales

Human Unkindness.

The simple-hearted Weary One and the crafty Bill Sykes were supporting the walls of the works, their tins of untasted coffee in their hands. Bill's coffee looked like coal, while the Weary One had in his the added luxury of a small quantity of milk. Wherefore, as they say, did Bill covet the tin of the Weary One, and did decide to exchange beverages. should an opportunity occur.

"Torkin' of pickpockets." said the Weary One, "I once 'eard of a chap wot could pick a 'ankercher from a gent's sleeve."

"Oh, that's nothin'!" laughed William. "I knows cove wot can take yer 'at from yer 'ead without yer knowing it." But the Weary One was incredulous

Just then he was called away by the foreman. and on his return he picked up the tin which he had trustingly left with Bill and his incredulity vanished like lightning. "Well," he exclaimed, "bust me if this don't

beat yer 'at trick, Bill. 'Ere's some one bin an' swiped the milk outer my coffee!"-London Tele-

Not His Encore.

A small girl of 6 seated in the front row of the circus, watched knowingly a dozen and more elephants go silently through their tricks. The dapper little trainer's frequent acknowledgment of the audience's appreciation evidently annoyed the little lady! Unable to further endure his seeming concell she cried out, "Now, man, you just keep still. You ain's doin' a thing, so we ain't a clappin' you."

IN THE BEST OF HUMOR.

Knicker-Does your wife laugh at the wrong place in the story?

Bocker-Yes, and she cheers at the wong place in a ball game.—New York

Sun.

"What has he done?" inquired Congressman Wayback.
"He invited me to share a bottle of grape Juice with him."—Pittaburgh Post.

England doesn't taxe to base ball."

"Pity, too. They could play all kinds of innings."
"What do you mean?"
"Why, I've often heard that the sun never sets on the British empire."—Louis-

"Do you know his wife well?"

"Not at all."
"Would you like to be introduced

Mrs. Flatbush—And you think your lit-le boy steals your pies? Mrs. Bensonhurst—Somebody does, and suspect Tommie.
"Well, there's a way you can tell."

They certainly look nice and seem very

cheap. The only question is, will they

"That man must be an insidious lobby- Edgar A. Guest, in Detroit Free Press. You needn't be rich to be happy.
You needn't be famous to smile;
There are joys for the poorest of toilers
if only he'll think them worth while.
There are blue skies and sunshine There are blue skies and sunshin a-plenty,
And blossoms for all to behold;
And always the bright days outnumber.
The dark and the cheerless and cold.

Sweet sleep's not a gift of the wealthy.
And love's not alone for the great;
For men to grow old and successful
It isn't joy's custom to wait.
The poorest of toilers has blessings

His richer companions may crave; And many a man who has riches Goes sorrowing on to the grave. You'll never be happy tomorrow
If you're missing the joys that are

present
And sighing for joys far away.
The rose will not bloom any fairer
In the glorious years that may be;
Great riches won't sweeten its fragrance
Nor help you its beauties to see. Today is the time to make merry, Tis folly for fortune to wait; You'll not find the skies any bluer

minute.
Tomorrow's too late to begin.

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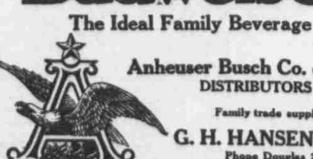
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