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Watching, Waiting, Drifting.
According to latest reliable advices a secretary from Senor Carranza is on his way to Washington with the laconic message that the senator will allow none of his representatives to participate in any conference with any representatives of Senor Huerta.

The Bee's Letter Box
Brief contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

As to Vacant Lots and Nonresident Owners
By Lewis S. Reed, One of Omaha's Pioneers in Real Estate Investments.
Need of Foreign Capital in New Towns.
Every town in the west that I have known from the crossroads hamlet with two or more houses up to a pretentious little city, discussing the kind of material for street paving and just beginning to learn the wily ways of the contractor, has always desired the investment of eastern or foreign capital.

LOOTED LEVITY.
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REMITTANCE.
Only two-cent stamps received in payment of small accounts. Personal checks, except on Omaha and eastern exchange, not accepted.

MAY CIRCULATION.
54,751

Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

In American base ball we have the paradox of the Federals being the rebels.
Flies are fewer this year than ever, but keep your swatter going, just the same.

Swimming is too grand a sport and too wholesome an exercise to be damned by three drownings in ten days.
The waving wheat fields of Kansas are said to have made passing tourists seasick. Get out the old prairie schooner.

Secretary Bryan defends the "regret" clause in the Colombian treaty. Well, it needs all the defending he can give it.
Our friend who writes to defend Villa against aspersion doubtless goes on the theory of giving the devil his due.

A scientist has just discovered renewed activity on the part of the canals of Mars, but does not say whether John Bull fixed the tolls or not.
Note that Omaha public school janitors receive pay ranging up to \$135 a month. The time is past when anyone can look down on the janitor.

Fireworks fired on the streets two weeks ahead of the Fourth do not forecast much safety or sanity, but simply the same old commercialized spirit of mock patriotism.
Many a democratic member of congress would, no doubt, like to take for his chautauqua text—if he ever gets out—"The Cruel Schoolmaster," but he would not take.

Just 601 registered bull moosers in Omaha. If every one of them were corralled in one place the crowd would not equal in number the attendance at the republican get-together feast.
After that pony thrown by him in the direction of our democratic senator from Nebraska, Senator Kenyon is entitled to still better treatment at the hands of our democratic contemporary.

Don't doubt that business depression is purely "psychological" despite its preference for democratic administrations. Draw a picture of the sunshine of prosperity and bank in its warmth.
The president of the Federation of Women's Clubs is reduced to the verge of nervous prostration by the strenuous sessions over which she presided. It might have happened just the same to a man.

Accidents at Bathing Beaches.
OMAHA, June 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Your editorial on more precaution to prevent drownings at the various resorts around Omaha is very timely, but still you suggest no remedy. I have been handling bathing resorts for a number of years and it seems almost impossible to prevent such accidents, largely because of the individual.

The Nonresident Owner.
That is an interesting and suggestive article written for The Bee by Lewis S. Reed, one of Omaha's pioneer citizens now abroad for his health, and printed on this page, in which he says a few words in behalf of the nonresident property owner.

Letter Box Limits.
The Bee is pleased to devote a column to communications giving our readers' point of view upon timely topics, but it goes without saying that limits must be set to this privilege. The amount of space available makes it necessary to hold down the length of the communications, and frequently to condense them, and also to exclude irrelevant contributions.

Echo of the Old West.
Cattlemen and sheepmen have just fought out an old feud with fatal results near Grand Dales, Wash., according to reports. So, some will say, evidently the old west is not all dead and gone, though long ago and often its obituary has been written, its tomb erected and epitaph engraved. Every now and then we hear faintly in the far distance some echo reminding us of this old "dead past."

Editorial Snapshots.
Washington Star: The pen with which Huerta writes his resignation will make an exceedingly interesting souvenir if it is ever manufactured.
Boston Transcript: How thankful the Mexicans should be that we are not going to charge them anything for the two or three hundred of them we killed at Vera Cruz.

Editorial Snapshots.
New York World: By the time Mr. Edison gets his energy direct from the unburned coal, somebody may show us how to apply certain June temperatures to February snowdrifts.
New York World: If Brother Amos continues to talk that way about George W. Perkins and the steel trust, the steel trust may begin to doubt whether Brother Amos is a proper person to represent Pennsylvania in the United States senate.

Editorial Snapshots.
Cleveland Plain Dealer: One can scarcely help admiring those noxious insects which greet the summer camper as if he were their long lost friend, bringing succor after an age-long famine. They are so enthusiastic about their shedding of his blood.

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Suggestion to "B. L. T." for another "last line": "Please remit."

In Restraint of Oratory.
OMAHA, June 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Something must be done in restraint of oratory. A writer, if truth-seeking, elaborates his theme with the painstaking of a sculptor as to form and substance, weeks, months, even years, elapsing between the first chip and the unveiling. But your orator in a trice chisels out a fearful and wonderful thing, whose significance shifts kaleidoscopically from angle to angle of view, no two angles having much if anything in common. The writer's charter is limited; the orator's is to blame. Preparedness, they say, will not stand for it. Be platform deliverance never so good, if it smells of lamp it's damned.

Retrospect of Losses as Well as Gains.
Thinking over my almost fifty-one years in Nebraska, I would say that of the towns surveyed and platted, which existed prior to 1883, not more than one out of ten are on the map today. This is because more towns were laid out than proved to be needed and for the further reason that many of the towns were on government land the original proprietors possessing only a claim or a squatter's title.

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During the presidency of James Buchanan the panic of 1857 came on and was followed by a period of depression or hard times. Lots in western towns could scarcely be sold at any figure, in fact, it can be truthfully said that the value of such property (up to that time largely speculative) dropped out entirely.

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These western towns were without money in their respective treasuries, and it can readily be understood how difficult it was for the officials (mayor and city council or board of trustees) to raise funds with which to buy land warrants or to pay Uncle Sam in coin for the townsite, usually 250 acres of land. The lots being worthless, i. e., unconvertible, there was no incentive to perfect the title under the act of congress, popularly known as the townsite act, and afterwards the United States granted the land to pre-emptors or homesteaders and the towns simply ceased to exist. The town of Saratoga, which was between Omaha and Florence, illustrates this. Chester O. Samson, formerly a policeman; James M. Johnson, a photographer, who used to sing in the choir of various Omaha churches; Alexander R. McCandless and Francis Xavier Dellone each pre-empted forty acres of land, part of which had been surveyed and platted into lots as Saratoga, which was one of Omaha's formidable rivals.

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It is said that when the trustees of the city of Grandview, on the river next south of Omaha, proved up and paid the government for the land covered by the town plat that there was but one human occupant, Mr. Washington Lewin, who was getting out limestone on the land afterwards known as John H. Green's quarry. The other occupants were wild animals, such as jackrabbits, prairie dogs and their friendly attendants, the owls, who occupied jointly with the dogs their subterranean habitations.

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George E. Barker can be called on for evidence as to this. He is, I think, the only one of the trustees now living.
Nathan P. Dodge, sr., of Council Bluffs, deceased, a partner in the firm of Baldwin & Dodge, was one of the owners, he having a share in the whole town of Grandview.

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My friend, Dr. George Smith, the old county surveyor, used to tell me that he had spotted much good farm land by driving rows of hardwood stakes all over it.
Paris.
Cause and Effect.
The lecture had been long, preachy and unrelieved by humor, but at its close a sad-faced, earnest-looking man strode emphatically to the stage and grasped the speaker by the hand.

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"Dr. Neverend," he said, heartily, "I want to assure you your message tonight will have a marked effect on the life of every nervous, fretful, impatient man who heard you."
"Indeed!" cried the delighted lecturer. "You really believe it will affect their whole lives?"
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FOOD BILLS.
Macaroni and food for thought.
Food is the biggest item in the high cost of living. Meat takes up one-third of the nation's food bill. We don't need near that much meat. There are other foods that are far more nutritious than meat. Take one striking example—
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One 10c package of this wholesome food contains four times more nutrition than meat. Study that—four times the nutrition at one-fourth the cost. You can make a whole meal of Faust Macaroni alone. It is unexcelled as a side dish. You can't imagine the great variety of tasty, substantial dishes that can be made from Faust Macaroni until you read our free recipe book. Send for a copy.
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NO. 9, Colorado Limited:
From Omaha, 11:35 P. M., arrived Denver "on time" 31 days out of 31 in May and 60 days out of 61 in April and May.
NO. 3, Omaha-Denver Express:
From Omaha, 4:10 P. M., arrived Denver "on time" 30 days out of 31 in May, and 60 days out of 61 in April and May.
NO. 6, Daylight Chicago Limited:
From Omaha, 7:15 A. M., arrived Chicago "on time" 30 days out of 31 in May, and 91 days out of 92 in March, April and May.
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From Omaha, 3:45 P. M., arrived Chicago "on time" 30 days out of 31 in May.
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From Omaha, 6:30 P. M., arrived Chicago "on time" 27 days out of 31 in May and 28 days in April.
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Thirty Years Ago
This Day in Omaha
Admiral Ito of the Japanese navy passed through Omaha westward bound on his way home from England.
Morris Sullivan has been appointed captain of police.
George C. Hensman is exhibiting a home-grown strawberry which measures six and three-quarters inches in circumference.
Charles O'Connor, with Beard & Bros., is the father of a lively nine-pound boy.
Charles Elguter has returned from Harvard college to spend his vacation in this city.
Fred Krug, the well-known brewer, has gone to Germany on a visit, accompanied by his wife and daughter.
Omaha is promised two new industries, one to manufacture bone charcoal, and the other to turn out pottery.
The third game between the Union Pacific and the Nationals resulted in another home victory of 10 to 4. Salisbury and McKelvey took turns in the pitcher's box.
Mrs. H. A. Sturges, east side of eighteenth street between Douglas and Dodge, wants a girl about 15 years of age to attend a baby.