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Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee Publishing Company, being duly sworn, says that the average daily circulation for the month of June, 1914, was 52,662.

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Having looked over its last war accounts, Italy decides for peace.

Doubtless Johnny Bull has taken note that the Panama canal opens for business August 15.

Ak-Sar-Ben has room for only a hundred more members this year. Don't crowd! Don't shove!

Could there have been method in the president's calling so many unmarried men into his cabinet?

The Lincoln highway may be changed from time to time in minor details, but the Omaha gateway is here to stay.

Lieutenant Porte has delayed his airship trip to Europe until October. Next move will doubtless be indefinite postponement.

More Water board employees running for elective office than you can shake a stick at. Oh, yes, our water plant is out of politics!

It seems too bad to draw the curtain on the Callaux-Calmotte serio-comedy with so much tragedy on the rest of the European stage.

Heirs of several famous confederate generals are at last to get \$175,000 to settle before-the-war claims. The south is surely in the saddle.

Omaha water users are paying rates 50 per cent higher than Lincoln water users. But the management of the Lincoln plant is really out of politics.

When it comes to writing a thrilling detective story, the Burns' sleuths who worked on the bribery job in Omaha do almost as well as their boss.

As if he had not already had more than his share of the limelight, Mr. Rapp announces his plan of appealing the divorce case which Mme. Schumann-Heink won.

After an endorsement like that, President Wilson would be an ingrate if he does not jar a few plums loose from the tree for those long-waiting Nebraska patriots.

That was a mean trick in the colonel to force the bull moosers in Nebraska to go it alone, and then turn around to make a republican governor of New York.

Greece says if war comes it will be compelled to send 100,000 men to the aid of Serbia. Maybe it will also get a chance to use those two discarded battalions it bought from Uncle Sam.

Those Mexican constitutionalists are not in half the hurry to camp out in Mexico City that they were when the way there was barred to them. It's just human nature to yearn for what is out of reach, and to lose desire when it is at hand.

The defeat of Tom Ball for governor of Texas was in spite of him being the candidate of the prohibition-railroad alliance, supported by both the national administration and the Houston Post. Now, if a queerer combination can be found, even among the strange bed-fellows of politics, let some one produce it.

Friends of Harry O. Cushman and Miss Kate Bailey are extending congratulations over the discovery that they were married last Saturday at Council Bluffs; the ceremony being strictly private and somewhat of a surprise to their acquaintances.

Charles A. Walker, pitcher of the Sherman Avenue club, left for North Platte, where he will play a like position on the club there.

A number of physicians have employed M. J. Burham to prosecute the midwives who attend patients and give medicine without having certificates entitling them to practice.

Dr. A. A. Parker and family are back from Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Churchill Parker have returned from a trip through the west.

James Whitney, the lightning pitcher of the Boston club, is visiting friends here, a large arm preventing him from playing for the present.

Miss A. Hamilton, 1913 Capitol Avenue, wants a girl for general housework, and promises a steady position to one who is a good cook, washer and ironer.

Dr. Graddy has returned from Hot Springs much improved in health.

War is On.

Only one thing now seems certain in the progress of European events and that is that Austria-Hungary has declared war on Serbia. Whether the fighting is to be localized to these two powers, or whether it is to develop into a general continental war, with Russia, Greece, Montenegro, Roumania and others helping Serbia, and Germany and Italy supporting Austria, no one now can foretell.

But a more vital principle is at stake. It forms the very pivot of Austria's declaration of war—the pan-Serbian movement. Serbia's refusal to stop this propaganda in response to Austria's command provoked hostilities. The principle at stake, then, is the right of a great imperialist power to dominate a weaker people struggling for nationality, for the right of one race under one flag. Serbia's aspiration is the uniting of all Serbs under a common government which shall be a strong and independent state.

That is the spirit and principle at stake, which Austria seeks to crush. It is the spirit and principle that has ultimately conquered and prevailed in all the struggles of history. It remains to be seen whether force of arms or superior numbers subdues it in this conflict. Austria, to be sure, is a mightier and more highly developed nation than Serbia, but Serbia has the right to become all that it can gather the power to achieve along this line. And when it comes to a mere matching of resources, the issue is not certain. Russia, it is said, is ready with 5,000,000 trained men for Serbia's relief, should Russia decide to pitch in. Greece says it will send 100,000. Russia is said to have another 1,900,000 on whom to call in a crisis, while Roumania and adjoining countries might furnish 1,000,000. Even, therefore, should Germany come to Austria's aid, there would be a rather formidable Slav army to move against the Teutons, enough so to make the result doubtful.

All Europe is aflame with the war spirit. Events are succeeding each other in rapid succession, yet the hope of peace, regardless of the prospect, must be cherished.

Bryan's Citizenship in Nebraska.

It is interesting to find our amiable democratic contemporary, the personal organ of our United States senator, gleefully giving prominent display to the rumor that "after the close of the present administration Secretary W. J. Bryan will move from Nebraska to North Carolina." Mr. Bryan has been moved several times in the same manner from Nebraska to Texas, and from Nebraska to Florida, but has steadily held fast to his Nebraska residence citizenship, and it is in Nebraska, or as a Nebraskan, that he has aspired to all the political honors he has sought.

In this connection let us quote a slightly condensed extract from the speech made by Mr. Bryan on returning to Lincoln after his first nomination for the presidency:

This scene tonight recalls the day when, by accident, rather than by design, I first set foot within the limits of the city of Lincoln. I remember it because I fell in love with the city and then resolved to make it my future home. I desire to give you the assurance that if, by the suffrages of my countrymen, I am called to occupy for a short space of time the most honorable place in the gift of the people, I shall return to you. This shall be my home and when earthly honors have passed I shall mingle my ashes with the dust of our beloved state.

If Mr. Bryan meant what he said when he spoke to his neighbors this removal talk is pure figment of the imagination, born, or at least stimulated out of apprehension that he may be back in Nebraska two years hence offering himself as a candidate for United States senator.

He Can Prove an Alibi.

Says the Chicago Herald, discussing Senator Hitchcock's proposed amendment forbidding the appointment as a member of the trade commission or federal bank board of any director, trustee or officer of any corporation which has been convicted, or even accused in court, of the violation of the anti-trust laws of any state:

Senator Hitchcock is a lawyer as well as a newspaper proprietor. During his professional career as a lawyer he no doubt split the ears of jury after jury with the emphatic assertion that under the wise presumption of the law a man is innocent until proved guilty. The Herald will not be accused of attempting to get funny at the senator's expense. It probably has concluded from reading the Congressional Directory that the senator actually practiced law—and he did at one time have out his shingle, but like another great Nebraska journalist-statesman-lawyer, his cases were so few and far between as to enable him, doubtless, to prove an alibi in the matter of splitting the ears of jury after jury. Lawyer Hitchcock like Lawyer Bryan has not had time in his busy career for the drudgery of legal practice. The senator's amazing amendment probably would never have come up but for the occasion of giving some semblance of consistency to his anti-administration warfare culminating in the defeat of T. D. Jones' nomination.

New Agency of Peace.

The decision of a federal court that it will construe and enforce awards in arbitration under the Newlands act, suggests a new agency of industrial peace and orderly means of settling labor disputes. The engineers on the ninety-eight railroads involved in the threatened strike urged, as their only objection to the proposed arbitration, that they had been unable on some former occasions to hold the corporations to the awards under the arbitration. Coming from so reliable and sober a body of men, this amounted to a very grave charge. It challenged attention of the public and a reply from the railroads. If it were justified, then the railroads were on the defensive. The engineers continue to stand by their declaration. If, therefore, the pending mediation finally fails of a peaceful way out, possibly the solution may come under the Newlands law. At any rate, it is well to have this ruling at this time. Of course, it is simply unthinkable to let the negotiations terminate in a strike that would utterly paralyze the business of the country. Neither the engineers nor the railroads desire such a condition. This is a good time, therefore, for the perfecting of some legal mechanism for the adjustment of such differences and the enforcement of the awards.

If those Austrians and Servians insist on fighting, our cym-belt farmers will be there with the goods for the commissary departments.

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.

Summer Shooting.

PALO ALTO, Cal., July 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: Many a man and many a boy prides himself on being a good shot and being able to hit a bird on the wing. But if he knew that many birds are half-killed and die a lingering death he would not be proud. Neither would he boast if he knew that he had killed a mother bird and that all the nestlings slowly starved to death. It would no longer be fun for man or boy if he knew and thought what one shot may do.

AMERICAN HUMANE EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Zionism.

OMAHA, July 25.—To the Editor of the Bee: I wish to call the attention of Christian people to Rabbi Silver and his work. We gather from published reports of the intention of the Jews that their plan is to purchase land in Palestine and place colonies of Jews on it as fast as acquired, and also to build up its cities and by scientific methods to make the land productive and if possible to form a Jewish state. The form of government not yet being decided.

Many earnest and careful students of the Bible see in this great world-movement among the Jews the commencement of the fulfillment of many clear and plain prophecies in both the old and new testaments as to the restoration of the Jews to their own land. If this is true, then Christian people should recognize it as the working out of God's plan and esteem it a great privilege to help it along.

Reports from Jerusalem show that some prophecies are all ready being fulfilled. The land is becoming more fruitful with more frequent rains and Jerusalem is rapidly being built up and exulting on the line of the description in Jer. 31:38-40. W. A. T. A Gentle Bible Student.

St. Paul a Sex-Maniac.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, July 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: The Rev. Adolf Huit is evidently suffering with brain storm—probably caused by reading the Woman's Bible. Every woman intelligent enough to understand what she reads should put the Woman's Bible on her list of books for summer reading. It was Saint Paul who commanded that wives should submit to their husbands—this command brands him as a sex-maniac. Paul's horrible command has caused more sorrow for women than anything else taught in the Men's Bible.

The command which originated white slavery is recorded in the thirty-first chapter of Numbers—with the accent on the eighteenth verse.

After murdering the fathers, mothers and brothers of the Midianite girls they are given into the hands of soldiers. Rev. Huit speaks of this monster with reverence. ELIZABETH QUIGLEY.

Across the Border

Baltimore American: The chief issue in Mexican peace will be division of the spoils. Washington Herald: General Blanquet kept things covered up in Mexico just as long as he could. Washington Post: Now that the Mexican peon has acquired the priceless blessing of liberty, what's he gonna do with it?

Washington Star: Strife in Mexico shows signs of narrowing down to a Villa-Carranza controversy. Indianapolis News: No doubt it would be easier to arrange an armistice in Mexico if either side felt that it could trust the other.

Philadelphia Press: After all, one Mexican bandit may be as good as another Mexican bandit, and some people think perhaps better. Boston Transcript: Spain wants its subjects in Mexico reimbursed for confiscated property. Now wouldn't that for the late Herrando Cortes?

Philadelphia Press: The fears of a Villa revolt are probably justified. Revoluting is his business and most of his business is revolting. Detroit Free Press: President Wilson used Villa and Carranza to force Huerta out of office. But who is there he can turn loose on Villa and Carranza?

Philadelphia Inquirer: "Carranza's agent received by Wilson," reads a headline. There it is again. Suppose he's going to sell him another gold brick. Washington Star: No provisional president of Mexico could be regarded as a candid man if he did not frankly admit the possibility of having to do some tottering.

Pittsburgh Post: Our old friend Villa is supplying himself with ammunition and preparing to coin silver dollars with which to pay his troops. Those who believe that he is ended are likely to receive a shock. New Orleans Picayune: One of Villa's latest photographs depicts him in the act of drinking a glass of buttermilk. But possibly it was "posed" to please Secretary Bryan—or to vex ex-President Huerta.

In Other Cities

Philadelphia operates, 116 playgrounds for children. Baltimore has a class of 30 boys learning to swim. Baltimore is this year paving seventy miles of streets. Columbus, O., street railway threatens to raise its rate of fare. Chicagoans this year pay taxes on \$2,893,668 worth of personal property. New York had 1,222 cases of petit larceny on court calendars last year. Philadelphia is to have a new theater at Thirty-eighth and Chestnut streets. Kansas City compels the placing of all billboards ten feet back from lot lines. Pottsville, Pa., has a citizen, John Eckert by name, who weighs 730 pounds. Brooklyn, N. Y., tax values are this year boosted \$12,000,000 over those of last year. Philadelphia will put a glass case around the Grant cabin in Fairmount park. Camden, N. J., now has twelve playgrounds for school children, having just added three. Richmond, Va., is annexing suburbs containing sixteen square miles of land and 18,000 persons.

March of the Slav

Efforts of Race for Freedom Changing Boundaries of Europe's Map.

St. Louis Republic. When England and France, back in 1833, joined hands with the Turk to keep Russia from driving that insupportable individual out of Europe the White Czar was cast down, but not in despair. He simply decided that what he was not allowed to do himself he would raise up someone else to accomplish.

Russia was then the only Slavic power in Europe, but there were many millions of Slavs under the overlordship of German and Turkish masters. Russia kept the peace she had to keep, but she never for an hour relaxed her efforts to set Slavic Europe on fire from Bosnia, to the Black sea and from the Danube to the Aegean Sea, the most autocratic power in Europe, espoused the cause of oppressed peoples struggling for freedom; she helped them with counsel, with teachers and leaders, with gifts of money and of arms. As a result there were born into the European family of nations the Slavic nations of Bulgaria and Serbia and the "East Roman" principality of Roumania. The Turkish frontier has been pushed back until the sick man has European dominions just a trifle larger than the little state of Vermont, and Slavic Bulgaria has reached the Aegean. The only great change in the map of Europe since the creation of the German empire is that which records the advance of the Slav. The recent history of Serbia and Bulgaria is splendid with deeds of heroism—not only the heroism that risks itself in the high places of the field, but the heroism that takes the bread from children's mouths and loads heavy burdens on the backs of women that husbands and fathers may fight for the nation. All the Slavs of Europe are a-quiver with pride in view of the valor of Bulgar and Serbian and Montenegrin.

Now many millions of Slavs are still under foreign masters. These are mostly to be found in Austria-Hungary. In Austria the ruling race—the German—numbers less than 10,000,000, but there are there almost 17,000,000 Slavs—70 per cent more than their overlords. In Hungary the Slavs are half as many as the ruling Magyars. Add together the Slavs of the dual monarchy and they are two and one-quarter millions more than German and Magyars put together. No wonder the head that wears the crown in Vienna "lies uneasy." Germans and Magyars are held together precariously by the sole tie forged by a common ambition and a common danger. What would become of the realm of the Hapsburgs if the Slavs of the dual monarchy should awaken to their power?

Following the splendid Slavic successes of the Balkan war, with their irresistible appeal to Slavic ambition and race spirit, came the brutal murder of the heir to the Austro-Hungarian crown by a Serbian anarchist. There were two ways of regarding this crime, between which Austria had to choose. She might remember that the danger from the hand of the anarchist is common to all the rulers of the world and had not spared even the gentle McKinley, struck down by a man whose countrymen had found asylum and high opportunity under the Stars and Stripes. Or she might choose to see in the outrage only Serbian revenge for the taking over of Bosnia—and strike back. Austria has chosen the latter course. The Balkans are the powder magazine of Europe—and Austria is walking there with a naked torch.

Looked at from the point of view of the heaviest battalions, the end seems certain. What is Serbia that she would dare defy a first-class power? She is a little land, whose territory, almost doubled by her conquests in the late war, is still less than half the size of the state of Missouri. Her capital city has less than 100,000 people; her total annual foreign trade, export and import, has less than one-fifth the value of the manufactures of the city of St. Louis for a like period. Her population, with its recent additions, is about four and one-half millions. She is heavily in debt. When the Balkan war had been in progress but three months Serbia owed \$130,000,000—\$20,000,000 more than the debt of the great state of New York. And Austria-Hungary is one of the great powers.

But in the struggles of nations there are many factors besides gold and steel. There, for example, is blood. Austria's humiliating demand on Serbia has roused Russia, and Russia on her own frontiers in Europe is a very different antagonist from Russia at the end of a single-track railroad 4,000 miles long. If Serbia and Austria come to blows, Montenegro will fall on the Austrian flank—and the Montenegrins are the Fuzzy-wuzzles of Europe. And who can tell what my result from the Slavic spirit stirring in the breasts of 17,000,000 Austrian Slavs?

The dual monarchy is not at peace within, even leaving the Slavic element out of account. The Balkan war was largely ruined Hungary's trade on the lower Danube. The Magyars are asking themselves whether it profits them to be used as the cats-paw to pull the Hapsburg chestnuts out of the fire. And Hungary is in a very different position relative to the "Slavic peril" from that of Austria, for the Magyars are twice as many as the Hungarians Slavs, while the Germans are but 100 in Austria to every 120 Slavs.

About forty years ago the map of Europe was made over by the Franco-Prussian war. In 1913 it was altered again by the Balkan war. Is the hand of fate once more to erase boundaries and change the name of principalities and powers? Who can tell?

Aimed at Omaha

Put Professional Beggars Off Watch. Bearice Express: The Omaha Bee would have that city establish a public workhouse to take care of the beggars. It claims that Omaha is overrun with professional beggars who are able-bodied enough to do a good square day's work. The idea has often been suggested before, but never adopted. It would probably answer the purpose of eliminating from the streets the beggar who is too lazy to earn his living with honest labor.

Proper System for Speeders. Kearney Hub: The Omaha court has the correct system. He warns all automobile and motorcycle speeders that "The higher the speed the greater the fine." The "open cut-out" bend is being taken care of as he deserves.

Nebraska Does Nothing by Halves. Fairbury News: Taking the list of primary entries as a basis, the Omaha Bee has figured out that there is one aspirant for office to every 100 voters in Nebraska. That is a pretty good record, but Nebraska never does things by halves.

Help Strangers Locate Themselves. Oxford Standard: In company with A. V. Shaffer of Republican City and Peter Oswald of Orleans, the Standard editor went to Omaha Sunday evening on a business trip and to participate in editors' day at the Den, as a guest of the Omaha Commercial club. If the boys down there will now take a day off and expend some of their energy in marking the streets, a stranger would be able to locate himself with much less difficulty.

Timely Knock on the Knockers. Kearney Hub: The Vinton Street Boosters' club of Omaha had a celebration of its own, a prominent feature of which was a large coffin hauled on a motor truck, and the coffin was labeled "Our Late Knockers." How many is not stated. The funeral was public and was thoroughly enjoyed, we do not doubt, as it should have been.

About Other States

Texas has 700,000 qualified voters this year. Over 1,000 orphans are pensioned by New York. Oklahoma last year spent \$3,547,509.26 on public schools. New Mexico's 1913 metals output was valued at over \$12,000,000. Missouri last year produced 4,318,124 short tons of coal, valued at \$7,488,208. In California a universal eight-hour measure will be voted on at the November election. Washington state has \$20,000,000 invested in sawmills, employing 14,000 men and paying them yearly \$14,000,000 in wages.

LOOTED LEVITY.

Artist—Dobbins, the critic, has roasted my pictures unmercifully. His Fried—Don't mind that fellow. He's no idiot of his own; he only repeats like a parrot what all others say.—London Opinion.

"Times ain't what they used to be," said the boss. "No," replied the ward warden. "The time was when politicians handed us cash to vote for 'em. Now they expect us to pay money to hear 'em lecture."—Washington Star.

Sillicus—Do you believe marriage brings sympathy? Cyntus—Most assuredly. I believe every woman feels sorry for some other woman's husband.—Life.

Mr. Lobstick—Has yo' any faith in banks, ah? Mr. Bentover—Yassah! I has plenty of faith in 'em, but I's done got mah money buried in de ground.—Judge.

Dancing Master (explaining new figure)—Now, for every step forward you take two backward.—Diogenes (blowing out lantern)—By gad, I've found him at last!—Dartmouth Jack o'Lantern.

"Then your wife didn't enjoy her trip to Niagara." "No, the minute she saw that rushing water she began to wonder if she hadn't come away from home and left a lock of hair running."—Pittsburgh Post.

THE APARTMENT HOUSE CAFE.

Lipincotti's. At Martin's table Elfrida stopped. So Martin's husband rose. For that's the thing to do, you know. The most polite pose. Elfrida talked of divers things. Of men and clothes and happenings. There was no joy in Ambrose's air. Elfrida made him grin. He fixed her with a glassy stare. And wished that she'd begone. (And still of men and things and clothes Elfrida spoke; why, goodness knows.)

The soup was in, the soup was out. The entrée disappeared. The reed-bird flew, the flet too. Ambrose still stood and sneered. (And yet of clothes and things and men Elfrida chirped—and then again.) The ice cream served, Ambrose outspoken. While shifting yet once more. "My dear," he said, "do dine with us!" Then sank he to the floor. (Elfrida helped to pick him up And sat him to his coffee cup; Then spoke of men and clothes and things. And diverse, sundry happenings.)

EDITH WHARTON'S Ghost Story, "The Triumph of Night," in the August Scribner, will give you a thrill. SCRIBNER FICTION NUMBER

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Table with 4 columns: Country, Population, Miles of Telephone Wire, % of Total Telephone Wire in World. United States: 96,299,000 pop, 20,248,326 miles wire, 60.83%.

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