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Subscribers, leaving the city temporarily

should have The Bee mailed to them, Ad-

dress will be changed as often as requested. An auto for the city dog catcher? Well,

Ambassador Page has such a queer sense of

humor that his jokes convulse Britons and confound Americans

There is a newspaper in Texas called the Bryan Eagle. Clearly a misnomer; it should be the Bryan Dove.

"You don't have to look like a hedgehog to be pious," says Billy Sunday. "Billy" has the right hunch on that.

The latest heralded triumph in the field of science is nerve-grafting. There is a sinister sound to that, suggestive of certain other scientific triumphs of which we wot,

Not only the lawyers, but also the physical valuation experts, have their eyes glued to the Omaha street rallway fare controversy. "'It's an ill wind which blows nobody good."

The dangers of centralized government furpish the topic of our United States senator's Saint Patrick day speech. In the interval, his newspaper opposes home rule for his home city.

Commissioner Butler is going to boost the interest rate on city deposits a quarter of 1 per cent, which, if he succeeds, may amount to as much as \$300 or \$400 in a year. Hurrah for

Talk all they please about those. Mexican bandits being uncontrollable, but notice one thing, they control themselves very well when it comes to keeping on their side of the Rlo Grande, beyond which lies Texas,

Like an avenging Nemesis, the walls of the St. Louis fire-rent club home came down, taking their additional toll of life, driving home with a still deeper gloom of emphasis the civic crime of tolerating fire-trap constructions.

An Omaha bigamist, faced by both of his wives, committed auicide. It seemed to be a predicament in which the poor devil refused to play anything but cinch.-Houston Post.

Merely as a matter of further information. permit us to observe that the subject of this philosophy was a former member of Texas' pop-

The meeting of the Pan-American confe :ence has been postponed, but the postponement from September to November is not to interfere with Secretary Bryan's South American trip. Yes, but the real question is, Will he return in time to make his usual rear-platform campaign windup in Nebraska?

The figures given out by the state insurance department showing twice as much money coilected in premiums in Nebraska as paid out on fire losses would indicate that our fire rates are too high. Here is a place where the Commercial club and the Associated Retailers could well join hands to force concessions.

"Pleasure is not the chief thing in life." That is true only relatively. If by pleasure is meant the levities and galeties only, then, indeed, pleasure is not the chief thing, but if by pleasure is meant enjoyment derived from duty done, from work worthily performed, from the opportunity of serving well, surely, then, pleasure is life's chief end.

This Day in Omahu

William Gentleman, the grocerman, has opened for business on the northeast corner of Sixteenth and Cass streets.

The state musical festival to be held next week will draw on Omaha for talent in the persons of Miss Pannie Arnold and Mrs. Hiram Robinson. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Williams and their daughter.

Miss Maggie Williams, left for California to be away for about two months. Miss Benton of Cleveland, O., arrived on a visit to her sister, Mrs. John C. Cowin. Rev. C. W. Savidge lectured at the Young Men's

Christian association hall last evening on 'The Elements of Success," The half-mile race at the roller rink last night was won by John G. Hitchcock, with Sherman Can-

field a close second.

The democratic city committee held a meeting in the office of Charles H. Brown with Chairman over presiding. The only business was to order

a call for a city conven-Iliti & Co., 155 North Sixteenth street, want the public to know that they sell new cook stoves for \$10 E. Winning, clerk at the Union Pacific building, is lying seriously ill at his rooms, corner of

Tenth and Douglas streets. The ground is being cleared and the trenches dug for Cushman's new building on the northeast corner of Tenth and Douglas streets.

Ring Rule of Normals Must End.

Our law-makers should by all means give the people early relief from the intolerable ring rule in control of our Nebraska normal schools.

With altogether too brief intermissions, the management of these schools by a board of politicians and wire-pullers has produced a continuous succession of internal disturbances, extravagance, nepotism and petty graft, all working to the detriment of the institutions and tending to impair their educational efficiency

A new deal in normal school control is imperatively demanded. The people would be satisfied if the normal schools could be put under the board of university regents or under the state board of control, although apparently any change would be an improvement.

To let these schools continue to be the foot ball of partisan politics and personal trading for board members, appointed by the governor in discharge of political debts, is a menace to our whole public school system, of which the normals are the keystone.

Failure on the part of the next legislature to grapple with this problem, and to attempt a solution of it, would be a gross dereliction of its duty.

Banging the Baggage Around.

The Western Association of Baggage Agents has concluded that it ought to exert an effort to break up the "indoor sport" of banging the traveling public's luggage around much to the latter's inconvenience and loss. The traveling public will be gratified, even though the actuating cause is the growing number and amount of damage claims instead entirely of unselfish solicitude for the rights of the traveling public,

So long as the patrons of railroads quietly put up with the imposition of having their grips and trunks damaged by careless handling, the railroads exhibited very little concern about the matter, but when the patrons began to avail themselves of their rights and privileges under the law of holding the companies for their damages, the worm turned. And we may expect to note a very prompt and decided improvement in the situation. If orders have gone forth from headquarters for more careful handling of baggage we may be sure the baggage will be carefully handled. Railroads are not run for the purpose of repairing useless damages incurred by indifferent employes.

In this connection perhaps it is not too much to expect that the traveler may yet be able to walk up to the average depot baggageman and have his luggage checked or handed to him without having to stand for what incivility that austere individual sees fit to accord. It is strange the public has been so patient with respect to these things on the part o' some common carriers. But it is a tribute to the good sense of the railroads that they have come even this late in the day to correct matters. They have the foolhardy example of the express companies before them as due warning of what to expect otherwise.

Wooing.

A professional funny man classes wooing as one of the "futilities of the day," offering no whys and wherefores, but leaving the inference that Barkis as a rule being willing, love, like other sprinters, catching the spirit of the day, cuts the corners and takes a long slide for the home plate. The implication, if unfair, reflects upon the gentler parties to the contract, acthough the aggressor in the wooing business is

supposedly the other fellow. Well, this is a day of short cuts across lots. There is entirely too much of it. We and it reflected at the other end of many a matchmonial venture, if not at the outset. Of course, long before divorce became as common as it is love-at-first-sight marriages were heard of, but one of the heirlooms of the "good old days" was the art of wooing. It had a proper place in life and is not to be too carelessly tossed

We may continue to grow matter-of-fact and pragmatic in our views without becoming sordid, as we should if we let go of too many of these old time-consumers merely in order to save time. Perhaps the needs of the day do not call as loudly for futilities as some think, but whether or no, they do not call for any such wanton infringements as this; as for our part we are content to leave the fate of this old institution of woolng to the humanity of young America. Evolution is a busy science; it works wonders in the economies of life; it transforms and transmutes, but we venture to believe that down deep in the human breast is a little spark of dynamics, which, put to the test, will prove impervious even to this highly potential force.

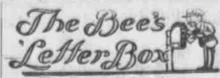
High Estate of Woman.

Bishop Oldham of the Methodist church returning from Asia, though an American, is impressed with "the amazingly high place given to the woman" as the "most remarkable thing iu this country." To us, who have not been, as ho has, in direct contact with some of the old eastern lands where woman's degradation is traditional, this may seem but a banality, and yet it is more than remarkable, it is the distinguishing fact of our civilization as compared with that of these other countries.

The significance of this is reflected in our contact with these distant and less fortunato peoples. All over Asia a new day has dawned for woman largely because of American influence by precept and example. The student of current history who has followed events of the last decade in China, Korea, Japan and Siam, to say nothing of India, knows the impact with which we have impressed on these people our conceptions of womanhood. Indeed, it is not too much to say that these countries advance very largely in proportion as they respond to this pungent touch of our influence. They develop along lines of modern civilization according to the social status of woman. In no land, not excepting England, as the impending conflict over equal suffrage indicates, is woman as conspicuously exalted in all phases of social life as in the United States.

When we really start on the job of "opening Alaska" it will be another great boon to the west. The fact is, it is hard to do anything big and worthy in this country today without making it a special benefaction to this wide old were? It should read: "In gold we western dominion of wealth and opportunity.

Perhaps the Chicago Tribune had a wireless from the jungles of South America just before it came out so vigorously for immediate and single-handed intervention with the avowed purpose of seizing Mexico and holding it permanently as part of the United States.



The Proposed Art Home. OMAHA, March 18.-To the Editor of The Bee: As long as the memoers of the Fine Arts society confined to their own members the solicitation of funds for a club house it was their affair ak ne, but when they ask the public for money not only for the institution itself, but for the necessary yearly maintenance fund, the wisdom of the proposed enterprise

becomes a question open to discussion. By the terms of his will Mr. Turner provided \$5,000 a year for the bare maintenance of the property until sold. This probably does not provide for watering the lawn in summer and the chances are the maintenance of this property as an art home will entall a minimum annual upkeep of \$6,000 or \$7,000.

The hope of any substantial returns from rental is an iridescent dream. How can the yearly expenditure of such a sum he justified on the basis of what the society has done for art in Omaha and in view of the fact that there are no specific demands upon the society that cannot be well met with the present facilities?

What would be the answer if the Mondelasohn choir, for instance, with its magnificent record of performance were to ask for a home the upkeep glone of which would be from \$5,000 to \$7,000 a year? Surely there is no comparison letween what the Mendelssohn choir means to this city and what a fine arts home would mean.

Would it not be a great deal better to use that \$7,000 a year, which the maintenance alone of the home would cost, in ketting creditable exhibits of paintings and encouraging the establishment of a good school for art in Omaha?

There are only two ways for an individual or community to become appreciative of art. One is by frequent exhibits of meritorious pictures that teach the eye to understand color, and the other is by teaching people the art of drawing and painting.

The Commercial club's list of endorsed philanthropic and charitable organizations and amounts expected to be raired yearly by popular subscription is as fol-

Associated Charities of Omaha and South Omaha \$9.280 Associated Jewish Charities 2.40 Omaha City mission. Salvation Army Industrial home.... Salvation Army Rescue home.... Scandinavian Young Women's Christlan association
Social Settlement association...
Swedish Mission hospital...
Union Gospel mission...
Visiting Nurse association...
Volunteers of America... Women's Christian association (Old Young Men's Christian association. 10,000 Young Women's Christian associa-

This does not include a number of equally worthy enterprises that have not asked for endorsement, such as musical societies, hospitals, individual church activities, the Ak-Sar-Ben. Many of these established organizations are heavily in debt. The Young Men's Christian association and the Young Women's Christian association are struggling under a morepape of \$130,000.

The fact that it is not a year since the community was drained to provide for tornado suferers makes it doubly hard to raise the money for a bare existence on the part of these institutions.

It looks to me like an inopportune time to add another to our annual Hability bearing investments in the shape of an say the least, problematical.

Would it not be better to first pay up on some of the enterprises we have, many of which were inaugurated by the same people who are now launching the enterprise of an art home? VERITAS.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., March 18 .-To the Editor of The Bee: Although I haven't the vote, I have an opinion. It is in this instance in regard to the case of Leo Frank. Will you permit me to express it in your paper? I am glad to say that I have never found one unjust sentence in all the editorials and comments contained in your paper. Many cases in many courts in the United States have been justly dealt with, but of those cases which seem to me very

unjust I wish to speak. No man, whether Jew of Gentile should be hung or otherwise put to death, when the evidence of guilt is circumstantial. Imprisonment for life would be far more ist. It would give the real murderer, whether the accused or another, time to confess his guilt, and be repentant. Where there is an eye witness or the accused 's known to be vicious and the death of the victim would have been of great benefit to the accused, then death is the best safeguard for society.

In the unprejudiced mind there is no justice in hanging Leo Frank, accused of Billing a girl (whom a negro found and reported) in the factory where Frank is a superintendent. If some of the evidence does look dark for him most of it looks like he is innocent of this crime.

A few cases where justice "as not done are as follows: Not long ago a man (†) was convicted of killing a dancing teacher and also confessed to having killed twelve other women. He seemed proud of the fact and bragged of how easily he committed the murders. This person it seems 's to be given a new trial and if freed will-

he has promised-enter the ministry. Another was the case of a woman to be hung because her lover killed her sband, and justice pretends to be very lement and long suffering for waiting for this woman's baby to be born before they hang her. She had no direct hand in the murder and if she knew of it and consented to it imprisonment for life would be the just sentence.

Another was the case of a woman to town picknicking: A man goes scott free, although admitting his guilt and every bit of evidence points to his guilt of carrying his own new-born baby around for hours in a closed suitcase till it died. Simply because this grown man, this unnatural father, did not take this defenceless babe and choke it with his two big hands he walks the streets a

Has justice, pure, true and righteous departed from the earth? If it has I can tell you why. Not long ago there was talk of omitting the words "In God we trust" from the new money to be coined by the United States mint. If this is done uld there not be a law made causing the truth to appear where these words

What does it mean? When any country is in danger of forsaking justice and mercy and setting up the golden caif of commercialism justice has a small place in that country and the end of its great-

ness is not far. So let us all see to it that justice get not the sleeping sickness in this case. ELIZABETH BOWEN.

The White House as a Source of News

Told by Robert D. Heinl to the Pulitzer School of Journalism.

PART I. The White House is easily the most interesting source of news. Each year the reading public demands more knowledge regarding the personal attitude of the president of the United States on great questions, and in every succeeding administration added pressure has been brought to bear upon the chief executive of the nation to secure his intimate views. And yet, even to this day the president may not be quoted without his personal consent. No matter what he says to a newspaper man in private, the latter is not expected to use the comments verbatim, or to credit them to him, without explicit authorization

Mr. Lincoln saw all comers, day or night, but, with the enormous growth of the country since then, the task of gaining the president's ear has become increasingly difficult. Mr. Cleveland seldom or never met the newspaper men in person. Indeed, in those days no regular men were assigned to "cover" the White House as they are at present, and public men had not been trained to meet the approach of a correspondent in the informal manner of today. Even as recently as Mr. McKinley's time no provision was made for the newspaper representatives. If a statesman had been held up as he was leaving a presiden tial conference, he would undoubtedly have expressed his displeasure. Today if the prominent senator or cabinet officer is not stopped as he departs from the executive offices, he is apt to glance in the direction of the press room, or wonder why he is slighted.

President Roosevelt setCom invited the press in as body. When he had anything to give out in a gen eral way, the invitation was personal to each respondent. Secretary Loeb checked off the men who were to be called and gave the list to the White House telephone operators. Gifford Pinchot got his big conservation congress movement going in this Mr. Roosevelt called in forty or fifty correspondents, and, after a few minutes' talk, he switched

them on to Mr. Pinchot. If half a dozen or so newspaper men happened to be sifted down to the last few minutes in the cabinet room where congressmen and senators had assembled to consult with the president, Mr. Roosevelt, as he removed his spectacles and stepped into the antercom where the barber was in readiness (always exactly at 1 o'clock), would wave the correspondents in and around him with some facetious remark. While the barber lathered the president, the correspondents would direct questions.

The correspondent who didn't know what he was after-who was just looking for news-seldom got by Secaetary Loeb for a presidential interview; but the man who could outline the "bones" of a good yarn he knew was in the air usually was certified to the doorkeeper for a seat in the cabinet room, there to take his turn with the other callers. Often two or three correspondents were allowed to get in line with the twenty or thirty "handshakers" the president saw at 12 o'clock. On reaching the president they would signify their wish for a chat and drop aside for a seat in the cabinet room. As Mr. Roosevelt went about the room disposing of the politicians, he either left these correspondents until the last or whispered to them quietly to step into the inner office, to be seen later.

Mr. Roosevelt possessed infinite skill in separating the sheep from the goats. He came to know the correspondents, what sort of story each was likely to be after, and just how their respective papers would produce the stuff. This naturally led to many expedients for giving them the few moments they needed-such as the shaving hour. Often he would sift out the crowd until he found himself alone with the correspondents of the New York or Chicago papers, and perhaps one or two others. Then he would sit down with them, and for twenty minutes there would be talk of the frankest sort, mixed with hilarity and takeoffs on the men who were "mixing things" with the president.

My friend, Arthur C. Johnson of the Denver News, told me of a gathering of this sort in which one of the correspondents called attention to a criticism in certain papers of that morning wherein, as proof of the charge that Mr. Roosevelt intended to rule the United States as a czar, was cited a dispatch he had sent to the president of a South American republic congratulating him on his birthday anniversary and using the expression "me and my people." Roosevelt laughingly called attention to the fact that Alvey A. Adee, second assistant secretary of state. wrote and sent all these dispatches, and gaily remarked that he would have to call Alvey across the road daily to have his dispatches signed in person. "The fact of the matter is." said Mr. Roosevelt, "I am compelled by precedent and custom to send telegrams of this sort throughout the world every

Then the president suddenly bethought himself of a document that had been sent him from the State department that morning, which he had shoved into his pocket. He drew it forth and looked over it

"Here, gentlemen, I have an address which I am to deliver at 3 o'clock this afternoon to Wu Ting-Fang, whom I am to welcome back to the United States as minister from China. It begins (reading). To His Excellency, the Honorable Wu Ting-Fang. Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary Near the United States-I never could understand who a dignitary of that sort should be addressed as "near the United States." I don't care, however, as long as he does not get too darned near!"

Of course Mr. Roosevelt gradually came to have his pets in the newspaper world. The correspondents of the papers who stood by the administration, or who had become close personal friends of the president through previous associations in the Navy department or in Cuba or New York, seldom had any difficulty in getting to him. But correspondents of papers which persistently criticised Mr. Roosevelt found it harder and harder to get into the cabinet room with any degree of regularity. Soon they ceased trying. The small fry never got in at all unless they could demonstrate something Mr. Loeb himself couldn't produce. Indeed, for these smaller correspondents, it was often a half-day's work to get

an interview with Mr. Loeb. Mr. Roosevelt was not long in finding out that there was thin picking on news in Washington of a Sunday evening, and he held over many a story for the Monday page. It was usually in the form of a piece of hand-out. The telephone operators an-nounced to a few of the big offices, including the Associated Press, that it was to be had. When the correspondents showed up for it, Mr. Loeb usually was conveniently by to give out some sidelight information. There was no hesitation in giving some paper an exclusive story if it was considered a better way to make the stuff catch. It is safe to say that more "scoops" came out of the White House during the seven years of Roosevelt's administration than ever did before, or have since.

Unlike President Wilson, Mr. Roosevelt often chatted about family matters with close friends who called during office hours. Any clever thing the Roosevelt children had done was exploited and proporly embellished, not for the purpose of getting them into print, but as part of the hour's conversation.

When Archie Roosevelt, sick abed for several days, called for his pet pony and had it brought upstairs on the elevator and into his bedroom, it, of course, made a capital story. There was also a human-interest story for the correspondents when one of the Roosevelt children created considerable amusement by clambering down the front stairs of the White House apartments in his nightle. A brilliant and dignified diplomatic reception was in full away at the time. President Roosevelt had sent the children to bed early; but none of them wantd to go. As the diplomats began to arrive in their gorgeous uniforms. one of the little boys crept out of the nursery and made his way to a point of vantage. He became so interested in the performance that he put his head through the balusters. All of a sudden the youngater realized that he was stuck and couldn't move one way or another. After a few minutes' tugging, a healtny howl went up. The president and the French ambassador, instantly forgetting their diplomatic duties, rushed to the rescue. Then everybody came. So socurely had the little boy been caught that a carpenter was finally called, and the Roosevelt youngster actually had to be sawed out.

Conclusion of This Article Tomorrow.

GRINS AND GROANS.

Briggs-Great Scott! You'll catch cold being out in this weather without your overcost. Griggs-That's all right! One of our choir singers has just been called away and I've got to sing bass tomorrow.— Boston Transcript.

"One thing about photography reverses ne usual order of things." "What is that?" "A picture's success is positive when it gets a good negative."-Baltimore Amer-

"I get a pretty little rug with every package of cigarettes."
"I know it."
"How did you know it?"
By the smell. You have made a mis-take and are smoking the rug this time.".
—Houston Post.

"I want to turn back," whined the first 'Only one more ice field," urged the other.
"Is it worth it?"
"Sure. And then the lecture field."—
Louisville Courier-Journal.

Cincinnati Enquirer, "Gee," said the young man who was To acting for the first time as best man at a

high moon wedding. "Adam was a lucky chap."
"Why?" asked the groom.
"He never had to wear a frock coat that made it impossible for him to find any place in which to put his hands."—Chicago Record-Herald.

She—Have you any special reason for wanting to know my age?

He—I merely wish to know at what age woman is really the most fascinating.—
Philadelphia Record.

YE DEVOTED BACHELOR.

Tell me not in sob-full cadence That the cost of living compels Men to close their ears and scamper From the sound of wedding bells.

Better than a choice cigar, He will climb up to the regions Where the eggs and beefsteak are.

And if he fail to cull the cutlets
That float aloft where the moon serene is,
The climbing will sharpen his appetite
For a reachable dish of kraut and weenles.

"Where ja get all the scratches on yer tee?" asked the Thin Man.
"Auto turned turtle," replied the Fat an.
"Loose tire?" asked the Thin Man.
"Loose tire?" asked the Thin Man. "Loose tire?" asked the Thin Man. "Tight chauffeur," replied the Pat Man. Altho' they have tried like the deuce,

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