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

The way to arbitrate is to arbitrate.

Now if the lawyers indicted by the several federal grand juries can only work it as easily!

"No political colonels!" Our democratic friends have troubles in plenty with the post-masterships.

As partial amends Uncle Sam is furnishing the inhabitants of Vera Cruz a free aero tournament.

It is our guess at long distance that the mediation proposal represents a lot of busy hours put in by the Hon. John Barrett.

The man with the hammer, Vassar, has been quiet about Omaha for an unusual length of time. Be on the lookout for another brickbat.

The area in which conduits take electric light wires underground is being extended in Omaha. Why not enlarge the compulsory underground district for all the wires?

The excellent program of the Nebraska Charities and Corrections conference this week calls for a sufficient lull in the war excitement to permit it to receive the attention it deserves.

Villa expresses friendship for the United States, saying, "Americans have stood by me when I needed friends." Coming from an outlaw and cold-blooded murderer, that seems a rather questionable tribute.

If that offer of American locomotive engineers to man Mexico railroads is taken up, trains in Mexico will run as they never have run since those same American engineers ran them before they were run out of the country by the rebellion.

Governor Major of Missouri has committed himself to this: "There will be no Missouri regiments commanded by politicians, ignorant of all things military. We will want men who know how to fight, not politicians." Governor Major must have had his ear to the ground.

The anti-suffragist women have kindly resolved to leave to the men of the nation the decision of the policy of peace or war, and to stand ready to render such service as women have always rendered in such emergencies. Now, what are the suffragist women going to do about it?

The governor of California has refused to fall in line with the mush-and-milk hurrahs raised by an emotional San Francisco editor for the release of Reuf from the penitentiary, the editor being the same who got so much fine free advertising from his pursuit of Reuf to the prison. As a stand-patter Governor Johnson commands admiration.

Under the spur of legislative enactments, pushed through by the beneficiaries, pension systems for municipal employes have been piled up on New York City without due consideration of the cost or adequate provision for raising the money. The peril of municipal bankruptcy is so apparent that a city commission tentatively agrees on a half-and-half system of contributions by the city and the employes. Unless some system of partial self-insurance is provided the various pension funds will break down under dead weight.

Lovers of cock fighting were considerably disappointed by the miscarriage of arrangements for a male to take place a short distance from the city. The fight had to be called off owing to the non-appearance of the Council Bluffs birds.

The leading members of the Evans, Bryant & Hoey meters are stopping at the Millard.

Notice of a meeting of Myrtle Lodge, Knights of Pythias, is signed with the name, James Catters, chairman of the committee.

The book year season has been inaugurated in Omaha.

Mrs. Joseph Stambel issues a card of thanks to friends assisting in her late bereavement.

The family of John Lindsey received an increase by the arrival of bright twin boys.

Rev. J. S. Detwiler, the new pastor, conducted services in the new Lutheran church.

Dr. Diamond is back from an extended trip to the east, where he investigated new and improved methods of sanitarium treatment in connection with his proposed new sanitarium.

J. Bonner, 1115 Douglas street, advertising house furnishing goods in largest assortment and lowest prices.

Mrs. Annie Lathrop, wife of L. C. Lathrop, died at their residence, 1825 Farnam street. The remains are being shipped to Glenwood, Ia., for interment.

The Proposed Mediation.

If the proposal of mediation by representatives of three South American republics, and its conditional acceptance by President Wilson, offers even a chance to adjust our differences with Mexico satisfactorily without further bloodshed, it should be welcomed by all our people.

From our side the only cause for wonderment is that some serious move along this line was not taken when the Tampico incident was acute, and before our battleships were ordered to seize Vera Cruz.

So far as shifting before the world the blame for further warfare on Huerta, and reassuring President Wilson that he has made one more attempt at peaceful solution, the mediation proposal appears to be a wise stroke.

We hope that some peace plan may yet be successful. We hesitate, however, to expect its immediate accomplishment by the present mediation proposal.

"Bricks Without Straw."

Here are some figures from a survey of country schools in a large middle western region. In all the schools linear measure is taught, yet in only one-fifth of them are tape-lines found; they all teach arithmetical weight, yet less than a tenth of them have scales; they teach liquid measure, but only a fifth have any measures.

In a third of the schools geography is taught without maps, and in more than two-fifths without globes. All of them seek to teach children things about this fruitful and wonderful earth, yet more than two-thirds of the teachers never step outdoors to vitalize a point by the fields, flowers, woods, rocks and streams near at hand.

That is the blessed old educational recipe: Get everything out of a book; reduce it so far as possible to a parrot-like exercise of memory; make it all as dry and repulsive and remote from actual life as possible.—Saturday Evening Post.

While we are surprised to learn that such a condition exists in schools of the middle west and doubt its existence to any appreciable degree within our own immediate vicinity, we present the statement and comment for what they are worth. The Post's ironical inferences are all right. If there are any schools or schoolmasters hereabouts responsible for such deficiency in their methods of instruction, we hope they will not fail to profit by these suggestions.

Another New African Race.

Following rather closely on the heels of the discovery of the blonde Eskimos in the wilds of the Arctic comes the announcement from a missionary of the finding of a new race of black giant in the remote fastnesses of the Sudan.

Evidently, these 8,000 newly discovered tribesmen belong to the negro race and possibly have been discovered many times before, possibly not. The Sudan is a mighty land, Africa a mighty one. For all we know there are many hidden races and peoples within these boundless domains yet to be heralded to the world.

People and Events

W. M. Paxton, 54, Platte City, Mo., has won a prize for attending Sunday school for more than sixty years without missing a Sunday. James Connaughton, principal keeper of Sing Sing prison, New York state, is taking, in a hospital, his first vacation in thirty-eight years.



Spread the Good Report. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., April 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: I received your book all O. K. and was certainly pleased with it.

Cultivation of City Waste Spaces. PARIS, April 16.—The Editor of The Bee: I have read with interest the illustrated article in The Sunday Bee of March 22, on "Uncultivated Waste Places."

What Kind of Progressive? NORTH LOUP, Neb., April 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: In view of the talk about him as a progressive let us look into Mr. Howell's case and find out how progressive he is.

Twice Told Tales. The Reason Why. In a discussion of the divorce evil, Judge Ben B. Lindsey, during his New York honeymoon, told this story of an unhappy marriage.

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Vera Cruz and Beyond

The Fallen City and the Road to Mexico City.

The second fall of Vera Cruz to American troops was in marked contrast to the fierceness of the defense when General Scott forced the surrender of the city March 13, 1847. The fighting last week occupied parts of three days, yet the casualties were greater than on the former occasion.

A dozen years ago the Diaz government started work on the present new port, spending \$12,000,000 in the west and west end of the republic. It has an area of 570 acres and accommodates steamers of large draft.

An army expert in the New York Sun contends that the march of an army of invasion to Mexico City from Vera Cruz means guerrilla fighting for approximately 200 miles under conditions to try the most seasoned of troops.

Man Behind the Guns. Rear Admiral Frank Friday Fletcher, the man behind the guns in Vera Cruz and American commander of the city, was a genuine lumberjack in youthful days, being an Iowa man born in far-famed Oskaloosa.

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SUNNY GEMS.

"A politician who keeps an ear to the ground is likely to hear a great deal that is interesting." "Yes," replied Senator Sorghum; "and on the other hand he may simply get an extract."—Washington Post.

"Demosthenes acquired success by talking with pebbles in his mouth," observed the Sage. "But if he lived today he would have to talk with rocks in his pocket," replied the Fool.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Pretty brisk village, they tell me." "Brisk!" I should say it was brisk! There ain't a bachelor in it—ain't there a only two old maids, an' neither of 'em is more'n 77."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Doctor, is your patient sure you can cure him by your new method?" "How did you know my patient was not a woman?" "I heard that you were going to try the silence cure."—Baltimore American.

The suburban car was waiting at a turnout for the car going in the opposite direction to come along. "It's shameful," complained an impatient woman passenger, "to have to be stopped here like this!" "Well, ma'am," said the conductor, "calmly, if you want to finish your trip in an ambulance, we can go, and we'll collide with the other car."—Boston Transcript.

"Who is that man who is being cheered by the crowds?" asked the stranger. "That is John Smith," replied the bystander. "What did he ever do?" asked the stranger. "He invented the noiseless phonograph."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"What has become of your cousin?" "She went crazy over the lango and we had to send her to a sanatorium." "Here is a sad lot." "Oh, no, she's perfectly happy. They take her to the sanatorium and she has learned four new steps."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Mr. Kelly—An' how are ye this mornin', Mistress Flynn? Is yer rheumatism any better? Mr. Flynn—Well, yis, I think it is. I think ye kindly. The new doctor's treatment is doin' me a worl' av good. I believe he advises me to take quinine ann externally, and to rub anarchy on me J'intis. So I'm doin' it, an' I think



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