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The way to rebuild is to rebuild. Periodical warning to auto speeders. Slow up.

No, we're not sure it's cheaper to snore than pay rent.

California does not exactly need Mr. Hobson to fill out those lecture notes of his.

No doubt 'Umbre' Colliflower has been called 'Cabbage' more than once by irate fans.

When the army concentration comes Omaha wants to be on the military map in good, big letters.

Frog legs will soon become as cheap as bacon—News note.

Why not make them as cheap as diamonds?

A lot of men would doubtless jump at the chance of being ambassador to Great Britain if they did not have to live there.

It is nothing short of the sheerest indifference to the rising young voter for the mayor to proclaim a dauntless digging day.

Where the weeds have it on the grass is that they will grow without being watered at the rate of 35 cents a thousand gallons.

A Chicago paper predicts that Sarah Bernhardt may live yet twenty years upon the stage. Just think of the farewells to come!

The original "Little Dorrit" died the other day in London, and yet how many more of the original little Dorrits there may prove to be.

Of course, all these doctors who see mercenary objects in Dr. Friedman's demonstrations are acting from the purest of ethical motives.

One of the best things that could befall honest union labor would be the effectual elimination from the scene of the Hon. W. D. Haywood.

If Uncle Sam gets a hicking, that Johnny Bull should, too, for the Japs have been denied the right to fish in the British Columbia ponds.

"The king can do no wrong," is paraphrased in the lexicon of our amiable contemporary to read, "Our Water board boss lobbyist is always right."

Why don't those Californians get together and simply refuse to sell any land to the Japs?—Detroit Free Press.

They might be run in for maintaining a boycott against friendly customers.

"The government has defied us," shouts the young Pankhurst woman. To fully understand the British suffragette viewpoint we presume it is necessary to get the full force of that.

Writing about the Omaha tornado, Sarah Bernhardt says: I hope it will prove a lesson to you Americans, and that you will henceforth build houses of substantial materials.

Thanks, awfully.

Former Senator Edmunds of Vermont is now 85 years of age and hearty. He resides in California and reads the Congressional Record daily, which shows how easy it is to live long as you know how.

Build Up Omaha's Credit.

Only two days ago The Bee adverted to the fact that Omaha municipal bonds do not rank as high on the bond market as they should compare with the bonds of other cities of our class, and urged the need of doing something to remedy this condition so costly to our taxpayers.

One cause contributing to the disadvantage under which our city bonds are floated may be found in their exclusion from the list of approved securities available for savings bank investments in New York and certain New England states.

Without going into the reason, or arguing whether there ever was a reason, the responsible authorities should at least try to have this barrier lifted, although it doubtless cannot be accomplished easily, or at once.

In the interval, however, one thing can be done in the direction of strengthening the city's credit by a proper effort. Under the new order of the secretary of the treasury, national banks are to be permitted, subject to treasury approval, to deposit municipal bonds instead of government bonds to secure United States deposits.

The anti-alien or, perhaps, anti-Japanese agitation evidently is not confined to California, but exists in all adjoining states and as far north as Alaska, where Japanese have been forbidden to fish in the big waters.

A writer in the San Francisco Chronicle ascribes this to "unreasonable prejudice and blind racial hatred." It is important to know how true this is, in order to provide for the periodical recrudescence of such a feeling, if it really exists.

Seven years ago a similar dispute arose over the San Francisco school situation and the president intervened, obtaining a form of settlement involving a promise from Japan to co-operate toward restricting its immigration at that port.

Has it kept the promise? If not, has its failure to do so aggravated the situation? The Washington correspondent of the Kansas City Star says:

The Japanese officials utterly ignored their pledges and many thousands more Japanese came to the west coast than the Japanese agreed upon.

He therefore concludes that Japanese statesmen have no respect for diplomatic promises.

The San Francisco Chronicle, however, much nearer the scene of action, reprints parts of the official report of former Labor Commissioner Mackenzie of California tending to show a decrease instead of gain in the Japanese population there, a decrease in school attendance and a larger death rate than birth rate.

These figures are for 1910; it would be well to bring them up to date. In the meantime, the philosophical mood of Japan, in refusing to become perturbed over the situation until diplomacy has exhausted its good offices, is admirable and holds a lesson for others.

That Morass of Republican Rule. In a prescription of the republican party, an impassioned member of the house from the swamps of Arkansas, the Hon. Mr. Goodwin, thus expostulates:

The Lord patient and sometimes angry, continued to accompany the visitator, or His wrath by physical evidence of His displeasure, but still Pharaoh would not let the people go. And for more than forty years the American people have been wandering in the morass of republican misrule and republican maladministration.

But since summoning to his aid for the purpose of illustration the scriptural narrative of Egyptian bondage, The Hon. Mr. Goodwin should have gone further with his analogy by showing that while the Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh and permitted him to enslave the chosen people for a while, Israel came out of Egypt a rich and mighty nation;

And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceedingly mighty; and the land was filled with them. And in these "forty years of morass" the American people have waxed great and increased abundantly in every phase and element of their life and since the republican party has been dominant during practically all of that period, it is impossible by any tricks of oratory to make people believe it is not because, but in spite of republican rule.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

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Thirty Years Ago— A novel enterprise is being inaugurated by E. L. Eaton, the photographer, who is putting electric lights into his studio, not for illuminating purposes, but to take photographs by.

The meeting of the new Douglas County Medical society elected the following officers: President, Dr. Harvey Link; vice-presidents, Dr. J. N. Swetnam, Dr. J. H. Feenbody, secretary, Dr. James Carter; treasurer, Dr. L. B. Graddy; censors, Drs. D. B. Ayres, J. B. Ralph, L. A. Merriam, A. C. Moore, A. A. Parker; delegates to state society, Drs. Merriam, Swetnam, Ralph, Dunham, Brown, Spaulding, McKenna, Bridge and Coleville; delegates to Iowa State Medical society, Drs. Merriam, Graddy, Coffman, Carter and Swetnam.

The work of excavating for the foundations of the new Lutheran church on Harney street was commenced at noon. It is rumored that Omaha is to be the northern terminus of the Postal telegraph now being constructed. This will be another boom for the Gate city.

E. N. Meale, manager of the Academy of Music has gone to Chicago to make bookings. Ralph E. Bittinger of the Union Pacific headquarters and his mother, together with Master Guy and Garfield Clark, left for a visit in the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shiverick are back from a four months' tour in the south. A. J. Toussaint, formerly with the Burlington and Missouri, now with the Santa Fe, is in the city.

"Waiting for the Verdict" was put on at Boyd's by an amateur company with Charles McDonald, P. H. Daniels, J. J. Nellig, E. A. O'Brien, Mrs. Elliot and Mrs. George Shields in the title roles.

Twenty Years Ago— A company of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gillilan, 3111 Ohio street, in honor of their friend at the coming departure from the city of Miss Annie Cummings, sister of Mrs. Gillilan.

Governor West and son of Salt Lake City passed through Omaha going east. Bishop H. W. Warren had a large audience to hear his lecture on "Forces of Sublimity" at the Young Men's Christian association. "The distinguished prelate is nothing if not eloquent and soon captured his audience," said The Bee.

Officer Burrows discovered fire in the grocery store of J. Marko, 1814 Sherman avenue, at about 3:30 p. m. It did about \$500 of damage. Howard B. Smith, republican, and V. O. Strickler, populist, were appointed to the Board of Fire and Police commissioners by Governor Crouse. Mr. Smith succeeded himself and Mr. Strickler succeeded George I. Gilbert.

Mr. Henry M. James, for nine years city superintendent of Omaha's public schools, later having returned from a tour of Europe, in charge of the Associated Charities work in this city, was elected to the position of superintendent of the schools at Burlington, Ia. He said while he had not yet accepted the place, there was no doubt he would.

Ten Years Ago— Creighton university beat the Kansas State Normal school last year 9 to 2. Harry Welch plotted and O'Keefe caught for Creighton and Eddie Creighton covered third. Fred Hicks accepted the position of floor manager of the Peoples' party. Adolph Stors of Wuerstemburg, Germany, who had been visiting his uncle, Gottlieb Stors, and family, for several months, was preparing to leave for a tour of eastern cities before embarking for his native land.

Sir William Kennedy had displayed in the show window of Bennett's store an autograph letter from President Roosevelt, expressing appreciation for a token presented to him while here from the store.

Grand Chief P. M. Arthur of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers was the guest of district lodge No. 183, in the assembly room of the Ancient Order of United Workmen building. After the business affairs were off hand, the friends took advantage of the time to become personally acquainted with their national chief.

J. L. Kennedy of Washington, D. C., member of the United States Industrial commission, was in the city. He was active in labor affairs, having been a member for thirty-one years of the Typographical union. He was a newspaper correspondent at Washington when President McKinley named him on this commission.

People Talked About James A. Stuart, of Jersey City, of which place he has been a resident for the last twenty-five years, has found his three daughters after a search of thirty-seven years.

Members of the lower house of the Pennsylvania legislature think they are worth \$2,000 instead of \$1,200 and have passed a bill boosting the salary. Of all the rare joys of life, none possesses so much opesony as fattening one's pay envelope.

T. J. Stinson is the sole ruling power in Spearville, Kan. He is mayor, superintendent of the Sunday school, justice of the peace and owner of the water and ice plants and of the moving picture house. He expects to be appointed judge within a short time.

Twice Told Tales

Took the Trick.

Also conversation relating to the face was carried the other evening caused Senator Bradley of Kentucky to become reminiscent.

He was reminded, he said, of a man from the mountain zone of his state, who once bought a jug of whisky, and not wanting to carry it around with him, decided to leave it at the corner grocery until he should be ready to go home.

In order that the jug might be properly identified, the man took a deck of cards from his pocket, extracted the six of spades, wrote his name upon it, and attached it to the handle of the jug. This done, he happily rambled forth, leaving the jug on the end of the counter.

Two hours later the mountaineer returned, and great was his consternation, as well as aloquence, to find that his jug of electrified spirits had faded away.

"Look here, Jim," he agitatedly cried to the proprietor of the store. "Do you know what becomes of that jug of mine?"

"Of course I do, Seth," was the prompt rejoinder of the proprietor. "Jake Howell come along with their seven of spades an' took it!"—Washington Post.

True Fraise. "The horror, in this money-grabbing age, that is expressed at the bare thought that Dr. Friedman desires to patent and monopolize his consumption remedy—the horror speaks well for the doctors."

The speaker was Bishop Lambuth of Nashville. "Doctors are a fine set of men. Out of babies' mouths issues their praise. I once said to the little son of a Nashville doctor: 'Is your father at home?'"

"No," said the little fellow. "No, sir, he's out."

"Where can I find him, do you know?" "Well," said the little fellow, "I guess you'd better look for some place where folks are sick or hurt. I don't know just where he is, but he's holding somewhere."—Nashville Banner.

No Better—Perhaps Worse. Chairman Underwood, replying to a millionaire who was against the income tax, said at a luncheon in Washington: "I am not astonished that he should oppose this tax. Prosperity doesn't always make a man better. Sometimes it makes him worse."

"Two men were talking about Weed Jimson. 'Weed Jimson must be doing well now. He must be getting on his feet at last,' said the first man. 'Why do you think so?' said the second."

"Well," said the first, Jimson, you know, owes me money, and he dodges out of my way now instead of facing me in the old way he used to."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Editorial Siftings St. Louis Globe-Democrat: If King Nicholas of Montenegro lived in Mexico instead of the insurrection would be quelled within ten days.

Chicago Inter-Ocean: As we understand it, the United States will remain closed to cheap Asiatic labor, but will soon be open to the products of cheap Asiatic labor.

Boston Transcript: Secretary Bryan's slogan-entertainments are calculated to cause a revival of the hollow-cane ad, or else ambassadors, dreading the aridity of a state dinner, will have to fortify themselves with a little something on the hip.

New York Sun: The order of the German War office to military aviators to keep away from the French frontier, which was promulgated by the emperor, is eminently sensible. There is probably no fortification on the French side of the border with which the German staff is not familiar, and the hysteria of the mob might as well be avoided by restricting the army aviators in their flights.

Philadelphia Record: Mr. Mellon's railroad company bought a couple of sound steamers at a cost of nearly \$1,000,000 and three years later broke them up. In the meanwhile they had been offered for sale at \$150,000, but one of the company's officers explains that Mr. Mellon preferred to burn them up, and the price set upon them had been fixed with a view to deterring purchasers, as it was not desired that they should fall into the hands of competitors of the New Haven railroad. The business arguments for a monopoly are quite convincing.

The Bees Letter Box

The Truth About Tornadoes. OMAHA, May 1.—To the Editor of The Bee: It is not always certain that the reported night tornadoes were true tornadoes and not severe storms. However, I will gladly strike out the word "never" and change it to "very rarely."

The principle is not at all affected by the change. I still see no reason to modify what I said about electricity in a tornado. There is lightning, of course, to some extent, but this is very secondary and comparatively evanescent in its work.

Willam F. Rigge, Creighton University Observer.

Blazing the Changes. OMAHA, May 1.—To the Editor of The Bee: I see that our democratic organ assails the mayor and council in a charge of artistic outbreak for not taking orders from the Water board lobbyist.

LAUGHING LINES.

"Language was given for the concealment of thought," said the ready-made philosopher.

"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "Many an impropriety is hidden by a scientific word of four or five syllables."—Washington Star.

"That," said the futurist, pointing proudly to the canvas with which he has just finished, "is my attempt to interpret the infinite." "What did the infinite ever do to you?" asked the innocent bystander.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Newed—Did you spend so much money as this before I married you? Mrs. Newed—Why, yes. Newed—Then I can't understand why your father went on so when I took you away from him.—Boston Transcript.

"What is the principal difference between modern and ancient times?" "One of the main points was that the moderns earn their living, while the ancients urined their dead."—Baltimore American.

"Son, why don't you play circus? It's great fun. First, you make a sawdust ring." "Where'll I get any sawdust, dad?" "Here's the saw. Just saw some of that cordwood into stove lengths. You can have all the sawdust you make."—Judge.

"You want a divorce from your husband, madam? On what ground?" "On the ground, your honor, that he made me think he was 90 years old and had heart trouble. I find out he's only 72."

and there isn't a thing the matter with him."—Chicago Tribune.

Kicker-Jones says he doesn't want anything but his autograph from the president. "Bocker—But he wants that on a commission."—New York Sun.

Pretty Stenographer—If I marry you I give up a salary of \$25 a week. Arthur Goodlooks—Not at all. As a special privilege, you may keep on working.

KISSING GAMES. Edgar A. Guest in Detroit Free Press. I watched them playing kissing games. And chuckled to myself. As I recalled the days before. Time put me on the shelf. I watched that roguish lad of mine Salute each pretty maid. With all the gusto that I showed. When I was wont to kiss.

But I am on the sidelines, now. And he is in the game. And he is hugging pretty girls. With eyes and cheeks aflame. And there's no special one to post. Or raise a fuss when he distributes his affections thus. The way there is with me.

What though he kiss a dozen maids. And give them all a squeeze. Nobody sternly says to him: "What means this conduct, please?" Nobody stamps a pretty foot. At him or starts to cry. But this will come, when these glad years have wandered by.

"Just like his dad." I hear her say. And note her gentle smile; And I retort, "This freedom will. But last a little while. Perhaps one of these lassies sweet. Will some day rule his life. And yet, I hope, that like his dad. He'll choose as good a wife."

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