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DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 14 day of March, 1916. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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Fanche Villa may not obtain the brand of intervention he sought, but he is assured of something just as good.

The most conclusive signs of early spring, overtopping the robin, is the early spring of border towns to the news map of the country.

Applicants for water service on pipeless streets should bury their wrath in the flush of thankfulness for being permitted to connect up at all.

Yuma's proud distinction as the hottest spot on the March map will look like a winter resort beside the trail of the avenging arm in Mexico.

Senor Carranza's typewriter battery shows no sign of weakening or weariness from constant use. In that department, at least, the constitutional leader wins applause for skill and volume.

Fortunately the ballot this year is not to be of the shoe string variety as heretofore, otherwise, with all the fillings in sight, it might have to be delivered to the voters rolled up in a carton.

Whatever else may be charged against the controlling machine, the democratic state committee cannot be accused of "sinful neglect" in a party crisis. Political sinners have enough to answer for.

In a rough way, news interest in events varies as the square of the distance. Observe how the work of the Mexican raiders crowds the fighting in the European trenches off the front page.

The move for an embargo on exports of gasoline from this country is gathering impressive strength as it rolls toward congress. The pocket touch of a million automobile owners is bound to be heard.

Omaha's building gains for January and February loom large in the comparative list, and bank clearings evidence the progressive uplift in other directions. Things are coming Omaha's way, but keep on pushing.

Perhaps the reason for abandoning the Bryan birthday dinner is to prevent a threatened war between the makers of the different brands of grape juice competing for the order; for we may well believe Mr. Bryan would insist on peace—at even this tremendous price.

Although he aspires to head the democratic ticket, as nominee for governor, the bunch behind him is still busy trying to answer the question, "Who is he?" How different from the meeting where the chairman announces, "I have the pleasure of presenting a gentleman who needs no introduction."

No one, seeing the municipal water office turned into a political living place, would imagine that the Water board law distinctly proclaims its "intent and purpose not only to remove the Water board, but likewise its employees from the influence of partisan politics." But those are the very words of the law, just the same.

Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha

Compiled from Bee Files.

Victor Ducros, whose sudden and serious illness has been mentioned, died of paralysis of the heart. He was familiarly known as "Old Vic," and his restaurant on Twelfth street, between Farnam and Douglas streets, was noted among strangers as well as home folks for his skill in preparing the viands he served.

The First Presbyterian church was filled by an attentive audience to hear Evangelist Ben Hogan on the vice of gambling.

Lots in South Omaha are offered for sale by M. A. Upton as manager for the real estate syndicate that laid out the stock yards and town.

Habib Benson went to Council Bluffs to officiate at the funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Elisman.

Officer John Curry picked up two young runaway lads on Farnam street, who gave the names of Dennis Huff and Bert Smith and their homes as in Fremont.

Miss Mary Tinsley of Council Bluffs is visiting with friends on this side of the river.

The remains of the late Senator Miller of California are scheduled to pass through Omaha tomorrow to their old home, accompanied by Mrs. Miller and their daughter and a delegation from congress.

Summer Johnson formerly on the newspapers here and now connected with the Cheyenne Sun, is in Omaha with his wife.

Carranza Saving His Face. Venustiano Carranza, first chief of the Mexican constitutionalist party and recognized de facto head of the government of that republic, expresses himself in the grandiose periods of his race. But his pronouncements are certainly subject to a considerable discount when it crosses the border. It doesn't mean he will declare war on the United States as an outcome of our pursuit of Villa. He is merely trying to impress the people of his country with a sense of his importance and vigilance in safeguarding their interests. Secretly Carranza must rejoice that the United States has undertaken a work that was too great for his capacity, for the elimination of Villa is of far more political importance to the de facto government of Mexico than to this country.

On the other hand it is scarcely cause for wonder that surprise is felt in the governmental circles across the border. It is hard for the Mexicans to understand the sudden stiffening of a spine that has hitherto been quite pliant. This has been the greatest drawback to the policy of "watchful waiting," which has borne its fruit in a steadily swelling category of murder and outrage put upon Americans by the irresponsible banditti who have been masquerading as soldiers in Mexico. It is not to avenge, however, that our government has been stirred to tardy action, but to insure our citizens against the repetition of such raids as that on Columbus.

Carranza's proclamation may not have much effect on his people, who are little given to heeding such documents, but the presence of American troops south of the Rio Grande will be more impressive than many words.

Woodrough to Be Federal Judge. The appointment of Joseph W. Woodrough to be federal judge for the district of Nebraska, succeeding the late Judge W. H. Munger, may be taken to end the long-drawn and stubborn contest waged for this position, as his confirmation seems fairly well assured in advance.

That none but democrats might apply for this vacancy was taken for granted, and among the candidates between whom the choice finally settled, Mr. Woodrough had elements of political strength that plainly made him the logical man for the presidential favor if the pitfalls of factional politics were to be avoided.

When inducted into office Judge Woodrough will start out with youth, ambition and legal training, lacking only in judicial experience, which it will devolve upon him to acquire.

Under the conditions and limitations, it is a creditable appointment. We congratulate the new judge and shall confidently expect him to make good.

Indiana Republicans.

Results of the primary last week place Indiana republicans in a condition of exceptional preparedness and vantage for the 1916 campaign. For the support of the Indiana delegation in the national convention, all republican factions had united behind ex-Vice President Charles W. Fairbanks as the "favorite son" choice, but the significance of the returns is that Fairbanks polled a much larger vote than did Wilson, likewise opposed for the democratic endorsement.

For the two positions of leadership on the firing line the republicans of Hoosierdom have indicated their preference for Harry S. New to win back the seat in the United States senate lost to the democrats, and for James P. Goodrich to inaugurate republican rule in the state administration as governor. The vote of Goodrich is clear-cut by half again as many votes as his competitors for the nomination, but that of New, under the peculiar provisions of the Indiana primary law requiring a complete majority, sends his nomination to a convention, although he is over 3,000 votes ahead of his runner-up. The impression prevails that the other senatorial aspirants will withdraw before the meeting time of the convention, so as to leave New's nomination in the form of a unanimous ratification of the primary preference—something that would still further solidify the party ranks for the clash with the democratic opposition in the fall.

Considering the early stage of the game, the prospects are certainly as encouraging as they could possibly be for bringing Indiana back into its rightful place in the republican column.

With the Coming of Spring.

The first warm days of March send the impulse to achieve coursing along nerves relaxed and enervated by winter's thralldom, and nature's promise of a reawakening of creation is met by man with a response that means progress. Omaha has felt this impulse, and shows every indication of responding to the call. The time was never so propitious as now, the outlook never more encouraging, and the hope for the future never had more solid foundation in the present. Local business, as shown by the record of clearing house transactions, has a volume far and away ahead of any previous year. Building permits issued for permanent improvements show a tremendous increase in totals. On all sides are evidences of activity and prosperity, denoting that the energy of the citizens is bent to making this Greater Omaha in fact as well as in name. Civic pride is drawing factions closer together, and the splendid prospect for the city's growth is inspiring to all to make greater efforts this spring for Omaha.

Our Own Munition Mills.

From the east comes word that big orders for shrapnel and such material of war have been placed by the government, and that factories are now busy producing munitions for our own army. This is a sign that ought to cheer some of the brethren, who have foreseen difficulty in getting American manufacturers to pay any attention to orders from Uncle Sam for their wares. Our array of guns along the Rio Grande is not so expensive as those now thundering across the Meuse, but they are representative in a way of the nation. Not warlike in any of its aspects or manifestations, but essentially pacific at all times, the United States has the quality of earnestly supporting its dignity on proper occasion. The presence of even a punitive expedition on the scale now undertaken will be sufficient to establish the fact that we will fight if we have to, and that our munition mills are at the service of our own government.

Anyone besides the railroads themselves opposed to a new Union Depot for Omaha?

Aimed at Omaha

Laurel Advocate: Omaha is agitating a new union depot, and the business interests are making a strong pull for it. The expectation is that the Union Pacific will soon erect a new bridge across the Missouri at that place, and with it they want the new station. Well, guess they are entitled to it.

Columbus Journal: Omaha wants a union depot. Tear down that iron fence and extend the sheds between the two present structures and the problem is solved.

Fremont Tribune: The genius who devises the historical floats in the great Ak-Sar-Ben presents in Omaha for its fall festival has announced an outline of what this year is to be. As stated some time ago the theme is to the admission of the state into the union. This gives latitude for the presentation of much early history of Nebraska. Based on this the pageant will be one of unique and intense interest, and of great educational value. In carrying out its bold program Ak-Sar-Ben will perform a patriotic service. During the long years of its successful existence it has never had such an opportunity as is now presented. It will not be surprising to see the 1916 performance the most brilliant one of any.

Hastings Tribune: The Omaha Bee is making a strenuous effort to get a new union depot for Nebraska's metropolis. Should The Bee succeed in getting what it goes after here's hoping that it will not attempt to publish as many drawings of the proposed new station as the Star did for Kansas City. It is well to remember that there is such a thing as overdoing a good thing.

Kearney Hub: The Omaha Bee declares that the right to "joyride" on armed ships is not the point involved in the present controversy. No other point has been made. The Bee asserts that the point is that belligerents must be compelled to respect the lives and property of noncombatants. But how? That's the rub. Shall we sail in and fight every war-mad fool who gives an offense or transgresses international laws that have been shot out of existence?

Nemaha Beacon: A recent issue of the Omaha Bee recorded the rounding up and bringing into police court, the female inmates of several "fourth-rate taverns." Has The Bee coined a new term, or is that what they call 'em in Omaha now?

Franklin News: They call the modern jail at Omaha the "rest cure" for indigent hoboes. Its a case of home sweet home to the boss when they come to Omaha for they have all modern conveniences with board furnished free. After being run in they don't like to leave, especially during a cold snap.

Beatrice Sun: The Omaha papers don't seem to be able to decide what to do with Governor Morehead. They are much concerned about his political future. The Bee finds a very strong demand on the part of democrats throughout the state for Morehead to become a candidate for United States senator, and the World-Herald finds that the country is aflutter with the Morehead vice presidential enthusiasm.

Newman Grove Reporter: The Omaha Bee wonders why it is that the railroads claim the 2-cent fare is too low for profit and at the same time will make a rate of less than 2 cents a mile between competing points. The answer is easy. The roads want to jack up rates between noncompeting points so they can cut rates between points where they have competition. In other words, they want the people who live at non-competing points to pay the cost of fighting for business at competing points.

Twice Told Tales

Her Grievance.

If anyone had asked Ned Lawton what he thought of married life he would have vowed that the last ten months had been the happiest he had ever spent. There had not been the faintest cloud to mar their happiness until yesterday. That morning, however, wife came to breakfast in an unhappy, sullen mood. He questioned her unceasingly during the few minutes he could spare before running for his car as to the cause of the unusual and sudden change in her manner, but his solicitations were only met with a snappish answer. That evening, however, New came home in a cheerful mood and was prepared to find his darling on the porch waiting for him joyously. But he was doomed to disappointment, for she was in much the same mood as when he left in the morning. Somewhat angered, he demanded an explanation of her behavior, to which she replied with a sob: "Ned Lawton, if ever I dream again that you have kissed another woman I'll never speak to you as long as I live!"—Judge.

An Unappreciated Preacher.

A local preacher who was in the habit of taking his wife with him to his preaching appointments said on arrival at the chapel: "My dear, you go in there; you will be all right. I must go around to the vestry." In the vestibule the wife was met by a kind-hearted steward, who, after giving her a hearty welcome and a hymnbook, conducted her to a comfortable seat. At the close of the service the same kind-hearted steward gave her a hearty shake of the hand, adding how he pleased he would be to see her at the service each Sunday. Then, whispering, he said: "But let me tell you, we don't get a duffer like this in the pulpit every Sunday."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Recognized.

Miss Hathaway, teacher in a country school, always tried to make the lessons as interesting as possible to her little pupils. "Now, children," she said, "you have named all the domestic animals but one. Who can tell me what that one is?" "What?" cried teacher. "Does no one know? Now, think it has long hair, is fond of the dirt and likes to get in the mud." "One little boy at the end of the class raised a timid hand. "Please, ma'am," he said, reflectively. "It's me."—New York Times.

People and Events

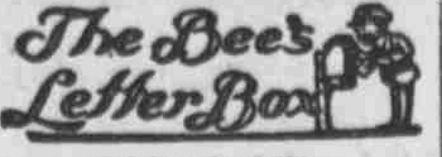
Among the official "don'ts" put out for the benefit of amateur fathers during "baby week" in Philadelphia are these twins: "Don't carry a baby under the arm like a sack of potatoes." "Don't feed it with club sandwiches." Baby weeks surely have an educational value.

President Howard Elliott of the New Haven, who is conducting a campaign for "curtesy among employees in dealing with the public puts in circulation two modern proverbs: "A smile is like putting money out at interest." "A frown is worse than a bad debt."

Miss Priscilla B. Marsh, who was an East Haverhill (Mass.) school teacher, and furnished the inspiration for Whittier's poem, "In School Days," is dead at the age of 78. It was while teaching that Miss Marsh became acquainted with Whittier, and her work among the pupils led to the writing of the poem.

The new Catholic archbishop of Chicago, George W. Mundelein, in a recent address, told members of his flock that no gorgeous churches will be built during his administration. Utility and economy is to be the building rule. The resources of the diocese, he said, will be devoted to the betterment of the people. "The needs of the body and soul must be filled first."

The mouthpiece of the California State Board of Health has the idea that spring fever is a disease, claiming it as a call of the wild. "It is an expression of a desire to chuck one's job and loaf and bask in the sunshine." Had the doctor expressed the opinion in the cryptic terms of the profession, victims of the fever would have been spared the pain of a "dead give-away."



Opinion of a Sailor.

BERLIN, Neb., March 13.—To the Editor of The Bee: The people and the papers are all talking about being prepared. They all want congress to spend millions of dollars on battleships and cruisers, etc. I saw in last night's Bee where the Alabama and the Ohio were going to the junk heap—that is, going out of commission. The Alabama ought to be able to put up a very good scrap. It carries four thirteen-inch guns, fourteen six-inch and has four torpedo tubes. That battery ought to make a good showing in a fight. I was on the United States ship Wisconsin when it took the navy gunnery trophy in 1906. We made fourteen shots and fourteen hits with our thirteen-inch gun in five minutes and forty seconds. The Wisconsin is a sister ship of the Alabama. I would just as soon be on the Wisconsin in a fight as on any of the rest of them. And, another thing, who is going to man all these new ships? I know that there will not be over three out of ten of the old has-beens that will re-enlist for a while if we should get into it with another nation. J. E. P.

Does Not Like Their Conduct.

OMAHA, March 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Kindly allow me space for a portion of Senator Williams' remarks on the armed ship question; they should be of value to every patriotic voter in Nebraska in getting a true perspective of the disgraceful conduct of the entire Nebraska delegation on said question; and particularly do I desire every loyal citizen of this district to know if he be not a high duty to our country to defend such recent servants as Lobeck and Hitchcock. But let me quote Senator Williams: "There are times in the history of all peoples, of all administrations, and of all parties when men come to the parting of the ways, when there is an unavoidable conflict, and when each man must stand as he may for that which he thinks to be true and right and brave and patriotic."

"In my opinion that time has come for you and me concerning the proposition which now faces us, and which has not faced us because of any action of the president of the United States, but which he has been compelled to confront by constant quizzing and constant expression constant quizzing and constant expression here, of opinion in favor of the position assumed by negotiators of a foreign power as against our own."

"For the politics motting any side of this question I have the highest contempt. The man who is a representative at the other wing of this capitol, or who is a senator here, and who is looking behind him somewhere at some racial vote of some sort is not a patriotic American. The moment that any element shall buttress themselves with the idea of pleasing a particular racial element in the United States, that moment they are doing it make foolish politicians of themselves, if nothing lower; because that moment they consolidate against themselves and against what they are seeking to do, every other different racial derivation in the United States, and they consolidate against themselves that element of American citizenship whose derivation is so ancient that it hardly knows what it was—just simply Americans without frills and without embroideries and without hypheas or anything else. As little as you think of it, these last even have a right to live here, and they have a right to be heard as well as other people."

Time for accounting is at hand now in April and then again in November. J. B. H.—INQUIRITION.

American First.

OGALLALA, Neb., March 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: I was glad to note that congress backed up President Wilson in his foreign policy by overwhelming majorities in both houses regardless of party lines. It will add greatly to our prestige among other neutral countries and the respect of the belligerents. It is also satisfactory to note that our German friends at home have left off nagging the administration, which denotek a certain amount of respect for the stand it has taken for the rights of neutrals and for international law and for humanity. Here in Nebraska the German farmer is too busy raising dollar wheat and 9-cent hogs to bother his head much about the war. Does he follow the hogs to see that they don't go to feed the British and French soldiers in the trenches? No, he does not give it a thought. Does he send his boys across to fight for the Kaiser? Not once in a thousand times. Does he divide the wheat money with the Kaiser to help carry on the war? Well, I should say not. He takes it home and buys another piece of land—and his head is level! He is as near the war as he wants to get. The fact is he came here to escape military service and the terrible whiplow of war which has finally engulfed nearly all Europe. He takes a natural pride when he hears of a German victory, and his sympathies are of course with his kinsmen and brothers in the trenches, but that is as far as it goes. He is an American first. He has become deep-rooted in the soil and in our customs, and he loves our free institutions. He has made a good citizen, and we need more like him here in Nebraska to improve the country and to make pleasant the waste places. EDWIN M. SEARLE.

Good Roads and Land Values.

OMAHA, March 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: Let us never lose sight of some things with respect to good roads. Good roads cut the distance between communities, therefore they are socially and financially a benefit. They entice people to travel over them. They entice people to advertise the beautiful scenery, in the case of Douglas county, to the residents. The financial benefits of good roads go first to the owners of the land. Lands near them increase in value. Increased values mean higher rents. Some folks think that if taxes on land are low rents will be low. Quite the reverse. For instance, if Omaha were to wipe out taxes on the land of the city, adding it all to other forms of property, assuming that such policy did not drive away the people or the property, rents would double or even triple. For more instance, Omaha paid upward of \$20,000 to improve Happy Hollow boulevard. Did that fact decrease the value of adjoining lots? Did the agents who exploited those lots sell them for any less because this tax was borne by all the people? Not even a child would think it. I live on Dodge street on a portion of what was a county road. A part of it was paved by inheritance tax money. This paving increased the value

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

"You wouldn't kiss a girl against her will, would you?" asked the leap year maiden. "No, I would not." Then she tried another approach. "Would you resist very much if a girl tried to kiss you?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Girl—You say that Miss Paddy and Jack Potts are going to be married. Why, I didn't know they knew each other. The Cynic—They don't. That's why they are going to be married.—Boston Transcript.

Jensen—I thought they were going to put a sewer in this street? Benson—They are. They'll begin excavating just as soon as the asphalt is laid. Judge.

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE, A GIRL FRIEND, WHO HAS NO SWEETHEART, IS ALWAYS KNOCKING MY FIANCE—IS IT JEALOUSY? YES—AND EVEN IF SHE GETS A SWEETHEART, SHE'LL KEEP KNOCKING YOURS WHEN SHE IS COMPARING THE TWO

"I got tired of that returned volunteer talking about how he could always be found at the front. Where I always find him is in the dishes." "Isn't that a neat proof of his boast, when he is always found in the trenches?"—Baltimore American.

Mother—My dear Percy, now that you're left college you must really begin looking for some sort of employment. Percy—But don't you think, mother, it would be more dignified to wait until the offers begin to come in?—Dallas News.

"Will you start up that fireless cooker, Norah?" said the lady of the house. "Sure I will, mum," replied the green girl. "Where's the matches?"—Yonkers Statesman.

"Miss Stinger certainly does get things mixed when she wants to quote. What do you think she said today, when the dear children got into the parlor while she was calling?" "What did she say?" "Children should be clean, not smeared."—Baltimore American.

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