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SEPTIMATE CIRCULATION. 54,663

Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee Publishing Company, being duly sworn, says that the average circulation for the month of September, 1915, was 54,663.

Thought for the Day Selected by Samuel McKoon. Volcanic flames are God's ministers. Giving vent to internal fires, The crater's permanent safe-by volcanoes. For use as occasion requires.

Billy now challenges the "forces of iniquity" in Syracuse. Well, then, Omaha did not have them all.

Lord Sydenham talks like a man who keeps his ear to the ground to catch the rumblings of British hope.

Speaking about blockades, that instituted by General Winter at Archangel coolly defies submarines and aircraft.

Reports of Sabbath day "lid-lifting" activities in Chicago make conditions in Omaha appear much more passable.

Omaha is not ambitious to shine as a prize-fighting arena, either disguised as boxing contests, or not. Cut 'em out.

If the "Billy" Sunday revival meetings have brought all the sinners into the churches, it is up to the churches to hold them.

The Bulgars are recent recruits in the war, but the quality of ginger in their war bulletins shows the mastery skill of veterans.

Although no public admission has been made, it is fairly clear that all the warring nations would welcome a chance to drop the hot end of the poker.

Another batch of war atrocities is coming from Serbia. It seems almost impossible to distinguish the numerous makes of atrocities except by the labels.

It is estimated that a billion dollars in war claims, besides regular war debts, will confront Mexico with the coming of peace. The chances of collecting the claims are as promising as rainbow chasers.

The growing boom in railroad traffic is bound to turn a hesitant solo into a mighty chorus of optimism. It remains for the higher ups to strike the note and the publicity bureaus will do the rest.

"There is nothing of special interest transpiring in the heavens this month," says our special reader of the celestial hieroglyphics. Very well, then! We'll have to start something down here on the surface of Mother Earth.

A prize of \$100 for a poem on Nebraska affords a needed stimulus for devotees of the muse. Poets, it should be understood, do not need money, except for paper, typewriting and other incidentals necessary to a flight of Pegasus.

And now comes Brother Savage to the rescue of our Omaha School board folks with the assurance that they are not necessarily on the road to hell, to which "Billy" Sunday consigned them. Perhaps the only way to settle it is to invoke the referendum.

Omaha postoffice during the month of October sold 43 special delivery stamps, and delivered 30 letters bearing special stamps. The increase in total receipts over the previous year amounted to \$5.33.

The school board approved the report of the teachers' committee transferring Miss Quackenbush from the eighth grade to the high school, giving Miss Jennie M. Kayser the eighth grade position, and Miss Elder the place vacated by Miss Kayser. The names of Emma Durkee, Amanda Wills, Lillian M. Wilbur and Kate Paul were placed on the assignment list.

Bishop Sharp of Salt Lake City, a former pillar of the Mormon church, stopped off in Omaha.

William H. Wilbur and Mary B. Lasear were licensed to wed.

Low Pizley has returned from Michigan where he has been several weeks packing and shipping apples to Branch & Co.

The colonization society of the Knights of Labor gave a grand ball at Germania hall, with Jerome C. Fontana as master of ceremonies and Jacob Cott, Wells Hammond, S. M. Sorjens, A. Flinsenkeller and George Hake as floor managers.

Mrs. F. S. Gilmore and her daughter arrived from New York to join her husband, the leader of Gilmore's band here, and accompany him on his tour.

Omaha Welcomes the Teachers.

Omaha extends a hearty and unreserved welcome to the teachers of Nebraska who meet here this week in their annual convention. It welcomes them not only for themselves, and that is no small item of appreciation, but for the greater reason—that they stand for in the life of the nation. The home and the school are the foundations upon which the life of this or any other nation is built—a foundation that must be constantly widened and deepened as our national life expands.

The degree of responsibility of the school and the school teacher for the future of the nation is increasing year by year, not only because our national life is broadening and expanding, but because the province of the school and the teacher is steadily being widened. Each year, without lessening the labors of the teacher in the technical and "book" instruction of the children, more is required of the schools in the way of ethical, moral and social instruction of the pupils, more of the things which mold the character of the future citizen.

The demands of the profession are more and more bringing to the front those who adopt teaching as a life work instead of an ad interim employment between either matrimony or some other profession. They are largely an earnest, hard working, capable body of men and women whose best thought and endeavors are centered on the work. That their visit to Omaha may be both profitable and pleasant, is the best greeting that Omaha can extend to them.

Keep an Eye on Massachusetts.

Political prognosticators are invited to keep an eye on Massachusetts, where voters will today choose a governor, along with other state officers. The campaign in Massachusetts has been fast, fierce and furious and has dragged in about all the live issues that are discernible on the political map, making it the most exciting of all the off-year elections. It is also a straight-out fight between the re-united republicans behind former Congressman McCall and the democrats, who have renominated Governor Walsh.

The best advice from unprejudiced sources are that, barring unforeseeable eleventh hour changes, a republican victory is assured. If these expectations are met and if McCall wins anything like a "smashing" majority, the next governor of Massachusetts, whose public record has already shown him to be a big man in other respects, will loom large on the political horizon.

Serbia Feels War's Burden.

Serbia, the match which started the gigantic conflagration which has enveloped all Europe and whose dire effects reach every nation in the world, is now for the first time feeling the real terrors of the war. Heretofore this little country, which was the immediate cause of the outbreak, has been only an incident in the great game of destruction, but now the devastation is being carried right home to its people. For centuries the Serbians have been a turbulent folk and war is no stranger to them, but this war is not like other wars. It differs not only in the tremendous forces involved, but in the desolation it has wrought. Wars have always been destructive, since the beginning of history have left ruin in their wake, but never to the extent of the present one. Wherever the contending armies have marched through hostile country the wreck has been complete. What the retreating forces have not destroyed least it should be useful to the enemy, the enemy has appropriated wherever it had a value to them or destroyed as a punishment for the people. The Serbians were a poor people at best and their scale of living decidedly low and there is every indication that even the little which they had will now be swept away.

No one could be so heartless as to wish such a fate to befall any people, but to many will come the thought that in the case of Serbia, without entering into the right or wrong of the great war, it is in the nature of retribution. For the past fifty years Serbia and the other Balkan states have kept Europe on the anxious seat and ever on the verge of war, and the greatest task of the diplomats and statesmen of Europe has been to prevent just such a conflict.

What Constitutes Success.

In a recent address Mr. Bryan dropped a remark that is worth more than passing notice. "Don't pity me," he exclaimed, following with remarks indicating that real success in life was not measured by the success or failure of the individual to reach the goal of his personal ambitions. If all Mr. Bryan's public utterances and writings had possessed the forceful truth embodied in that thought, his field of usefulness to the world would have been immeasurably widened. History contains the records of fully as many great lives whose personal hopes have been blasted as of those who have achieved what they have striven for, and too often men count their own lives a failure when in fact it has been a success far beyond the world has called successful. To put it more plainly, that life is a real success which has contributed something worth while to the betterment or advancement of the world. In far too many cases those who have done the most for the progress of humanity have themselves reaped little or no personal advantage from their labors, except in the inward satisfaction of having been right, or lived to the end buoyed up by the hope of ultimate recognition. Alongside such a life, that of the man whom the unthinking world calls successful, but whose sole efforts have centered around self-aggrandizement, sinks into insignificance in the final accounting. Personal success is, of course, a laudable ambition, but it is by no means the standard by which successful life is gauged.

The solemn assurances of Yuan Shi Kai's premier that there is nothing to do but "carry out the will of the people" is now being expressed on the question of a republic or a monarchy for China. A photograph of the premier in the act of vocalizing that lofty sentiment is necessary to a full understanding of colonial gaiety.

Strange Lands in War Time

Walter G. M. Bushnik in Columbia News

I STARTED from Manila on April 30 on a six-month's leave of absence, arriving before I started a war correspondent's appointment from the Manila Bulletin in order to see more of the war conditions in the countries through which I was to pass. The first part of my trip took me through China, Korea and Japan. Hong Kong was in full war paraphernalia, with the entire male population enlisted either in the volunteer or police reserve corps. Hotels were running on a losing basis; business had declined considerably; and the clerks in the stores performed their duties in khaki uniforms and with rifles resting beside them. All travelers entering and leaving Hong Kong are subject to strict examination, and passes are everywhere necessary. The harbor is closed at sundown, and searchlights play on the entrances all night long.

China itself is not concerned with the war at all. It has troubles of its own. I was at Peking while the negotiations with Japan were going on, and found to my surprise that the Chinese had no fear of their more powerful neighbors. It was common opinion that while Japan might beat China, it could never conquer the latter, and defeat would simply mean the loss of a few provinces that were bound to go sooner or later anyway. The people preferred to put the matter to the test of war, and were greatly angered at the submission of Yuan Shi-kai. During the negotiations it was said that there were some fifteen thousand Japanese veterans in Peking in plain clothes, ready for immediate action; and large armies had been massed in Manchuria and Shantung in preparation for a march on the capital. Manchuria is already so Japanese that in Mukden the hotel men will not accept Chinese money any longer, and all the trade is in the hands of the Japanese. Russian influence has been entirely displaced.

Japan was, of course, as much disturbed over the Chinese negotiations as was China, but in a different way. The Japanese were firmly convinced that their demands were in line with those that European nations had in the past extorted from China, and that they had a better right, through racial reasons, to commercial supremacy in China than had the white races. There was considerable discussion regarding America's attitude in the matter, but the newspapers expressed confidence in their country, no matter what course the United States should assume. Interest in the European war had largely died out, owing to the fall of Tsingtau, and Germans were still permitted to carry on their business unmolested throughout the empire, so long as they conducted themselves discreetly.

The second part of my trip took me across the Indian ocean, through the Suez canal, to Europe. Singapore and Colombo showed signs of the unrest that had broken out shortly before in the form of abortive insurrections. The natives carried themselves with a cocky display of independence that was little short of impertinent. All white men, with few exceptions, had been enrolled in the volunteer reserve, and were on guard day and night to prevent any further disturbances. There was a feeling of nervousness and uneasiness, apparent in both places, which was entirely justified by the surly attitude of the natives. Not long after leaving Colombo, we heard that another insurrection had broken out there, and had been crushed with considerable loss of life. There are few regular troops or warships in any of these coast ports, so that their defense devolves upon volunteers and Japanese cruisers.

In the Suez canal, we came across the first evidences of actual warfare. The whole canal is lined on both sides with trenches and barbed wire defenses, and the canal is further guarded by French cruisers and gunboats. Aeroplane fly up and down the length of the canal day and night, guarding against Turkish surprises. At Suez, we learned that a large force of Turks was reported to be within ten miles of the city, and the place was in a state of anxious suspense. Half way up the canal, at Ismailiya, a battle was in progress to the east, and for hours we could hear the boom of the cannon, and could see the reinforcements hurled out to the line of battle from the camps, a stone's throw from us.

I spent about six weeks in Europe, most of it in Spain. I made a short trip to Paris and Switzerland, with the intention of visiting Germany, but found, to my disgust, that while I could enter Germany I would probably not be permitted to leave within three or four weeks, owing to movement of troop trains. So I gave up the idea and returned to Spain. There is no use trying to describe conditions in France or Switzerland, as that has already been done in several hundred war books.

Not so much has been reported regarding Spain. It may surprise some persons to find that Spain is one of the few countries of the world which is pro-German. The king and conservative party (which is in control) are out and out for the Teutonic allies, according to all indications, although Spain is thus far preserving a strict neutrality. It was hinted quite openly that Spain was only waiting for a favorable turn of affairs in order to throw herself against the allies, with the hope of gaining Gibraltar. The liberal party, which is strong in the coast towns like Barcelona and Valencia, is pro-ally, but it is at present out of power.

Our Spanish mail steamer, in going from Malaga to Cadix, was stopped an hour this side of Gibraltar by an English destroyer, and forced to return to the harbor under the guns of the rock fortresses to undergo examination. Spanish and Dutch boats are suspected of furnishing German submarines with supplies, and are therefore very rigidly searched for contraband. Otherwise the trip was uneventful, and we arrived at our destination, New York, without further mishap.

People and Events

In response to the frequent admonitions of dad, Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., a few years married, is the proud father of three, the last one arriving last month.

John Shay, 13 years old, said to have been the oldest man in Louisiana, died recently. Shay was born in County Kerry, Ireland, June 21, 1822, according to members of his family. He came to this country in 1850 and settled in New Orleans.

Two air mail routes of sixty miles each, covering territory in Missouri and Illinois untouched by railroads, have been approved by the Postoffice department and the army aviation corps. All that is needed to make the mail fly is a congressional appropriation for the gasoline and incidentals.

A Philadelphia young man, estranged from his best girl, heartless and lonely, hired a violinist to play Tchaikowski's "Romance" into a telephone receiver and sent it to San Francisco where his innamorata was "on the wire." It cost him \$2.95, but the price proved a bargain. The wedding date is fixed.

A trusting maid who waited three long years for an investment banker of Chicago to give her his name, has invited him into court to show cause why he should not cough up \$50,000 for breach of promise. This particular banker made investments in much profitable paper, but overlooked an investment in safety first.

A Klondike run of business enjoyed by Dr. A. L. Blunt of Chicago has been spoiled by a jury in the federal court. Since the anti-dope law went into effect last March the doctor issued 20,000 prescriptions to drug addicts, charging from 50 cents to \$1, each, and claimed his activities were directed toward curing the victims. The jury bluntly rejected the doctor's claims, and convicted him on nineteen out of twenty-five counts of the indictment.

An all round handy farm girl is Miss Rose McCombs of San Joaquin, Cal., one of the entrants in the milkmaid contest at the San Francisco exposition. Mrs. McCombs sent in a letter to the exposition managers: "I've been in the dairy business for forty years and I never seen a man who could milk as good as my datter. She won \$25 in woodchop contest and \$30 in a nail driving contest, and she wants to win this here silver cup you're going to give the champion milkmaid."

The Bee's Letter Box

How to Enter the Church.

L.A. GRANGE Ind., Oct. 26.—To the Editor of The Bee: I had the privilege of attending three of Mr. Smith's meetings the first week of the revival while in Omaha. I also read several of his sermons since coming to my home in Indiana, sent to me by my daughter and husband. I have read what others have had to say of him. He certainly works hard to have people saved, and no doubt is doing much good and says so many good things and preaches lots of Bible, but he fails to discern the body of Christ, which is the church. The spirit of the God of the Bible is an exclusive spirit. It reveals and rejects every other spirit. God's children have been baptized by one spirit into one body, and have been all made to drink into one spirit. The religion of Jesus Christ is exclusive in its nature. It compromises with no other. It justly assumes to be the only true religion, and announces all others as of the devil.

Mr. Sunday says there are bad people or members in the church. The Bible says, "holly and without blemish." So the bad people or members do not belong to the church of God that is "holly and without blemish." Instead they must belong to some man-made institution. The way to join the "holly and without blemish" church is to get salvation, and the moment that is done we are in the church without any ceremony, and by getting out of this church is by losing salvation. Praise the Lord! I believe this is sufficient.

Mr. Editor, you may print this in your neway Bee if you wish.

MRS. J. A. SPERO.

Affirmation of Police Efficiency. OMAHA, Nov. 1.—To the Editor of The Bee: A yellow sheet in an editorial says the murderer of Smith got away because the heads of the police department were not on the job. Also there was practically no effort to get the murderer that night.

I wonder if it could be possible that the heads of the police in St. Joseph, Kansas City, Topeka and other places this fellow worked are not on the job. As far as an effort to get him that night, I went home about 1:30 p. m. and was stopped by a couple of detectives at Twentieth and Dodge streets, and by Dunn and Kennedy at Twenty-fourth and Davenport streets, and they were stopping everybody at that time. Now that about says there was no effort to catch him before 7:30 a. m. the next day.

The police department of Omaha, I think, is as efficient as any city or its size in the United States, but when they are handicapped by a bunch of half-witted reporters and a yellow sheet you cannot expect them to be as efficient and get evidence as they should.

The time Henry Nickel was murdered they arrested the girl Spat had been living with one of the murderers, and when Maloney got her in Lincoln and found some of the jewelry on her that was taken from some of the victims, and because she would not tell where he was, and they awaited her, this same sheet came out for a week denouncing the detective force.

Of course everyone in Omaha would like to see that degenerate caught, and anybody that would have the least clue would give it to the police without thinking of the some \$2,700 reward, and every tip that was given to the detectives was followed to the very end, because I heard of a couple of instances myself.

JOHN J. ROOT.

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The Squirrel Nuisance.

SOUTH SIDE, Omaha, Nov. 1.—To the Editor of The Bee: I will have to differ with you about the squirrel question. Had you been bothered by them as much as some of us have you would change your opinion about them. At one time I wrote a letter for The Bee objecting to the killing of squirrels in Spring Lake park, as I had seen boys shoot some of them from the trees, but I have changed my mind about them, as I changed my mind from opposition to annexation to the position of strongly favoring it.

When we first moved to our home across the street from Spring Lake park the trees in our yard were full of birds and their nests, and nests by the dozen could be found in all parts of the park, but since squirrels have become numerous no nests can be found in our trees, nor in the park either. Nearly every year robins and bluebirds make their nests, but they do not last many days, for the squirrels tear them out, and break the eggs and kill the young birds, and now we have no birds around but the English sparrow, another pest of the worst kind. Then it is impossible to have any fruit on our few trees, and a fine old shellbark hickory tree that was loaded down with nuts both last year and this year in our back yard was cleared of the nuts long before they were ripe by the worse than nuisance, the timber squirrel. I can give you the names of three people who had holes gnawed through their roofs by squirrels, and they have done much other damage. No one near the parks can have fruit on their trees without having it injured or destroyed by the never idle squirrels.

I saw a statement recently that squirrels destroyed so much fruit in a town in my old home county in Illinois that the people of the town got out one day last month and killed every squirrel in the town. They are an insufferable nuisance, and I would be glad to see every squirrel killed in Spring Lake park, for we will not have any birds so long as they are allowed to be as numerous as they are now. I would rather have 100 rats doing damage at my place than one squirrel.

P. A. AGENEW.

EDITORIAL SIFTINGS. Chicago Herald: Carranza's reported plan to send a force of \$50,000 against Villa and let them surrender on condition that he leave the country with them at once shows the highest form of Mexican strategy. Boston Transcript: It is now possible for Secretary Daniels to pick up a telephone receiver at his desk and ask the captain of a battleship 1,300 miles at sea to step down in the wardrobe and see if any of the young officers have a bottle on the table. Springfield Republican: To cheer us up, an engineer says that every big slide at the Isthmus means a better canal. It certainly means more digging, but can even an engineer be sure that, when the hills are cut away the flat earth around and underneath will not writh and coil and periodically fill the waterway? It is an earthquake country. Culebra is the Spanish word for snake.

Tips on Home Topics

Washington Post: Speaking of the Mexican census that blooms once in six years and then shuts up, some of the patriots below the Rio Grande should follow suit.

Louisville Courier-Journal: Every American believes in the taxation of large incomes to equalize burdens, but nobody believes his income is large or his share of burdens less than the share of others.

Indianapolis News: Of course, there may come a time, as predicted, when the secretary of the navy can talk by telephone from his desk to the officers of warships anywhere in the world, but it is no cinch that the officers will always be glad to have him do so.

Baltimore American: The dignitaries in the democratic party have become so peeved because of Vice President Marshall's propensity to jest over the funny spectacle of the senate taking itself seriously that, it is said, he may not be spared defeat, so that the joke will be on his party after all.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

"How is your daughter progressing in music?" "Well," replied Mr. Cummox, "I think her taste is improving. She is getting on as she thinks enough of some of those songs not to try to sing them."—Washington Star.

"I'd go into the automobile business if I could manage to get some capital together." "Well, such a spender as you are ought easily to be able to raise the dust."—Baltimore American.

The Doctor-Madam, you must take more exercise. I should advise walking every day." Mrs. Newly-rich—Walking! My dear doctor, you must be accustomed to attending poor people.—Philadelphia Record.

Edith—So you are going to marry that rule old Mr. Rowlich. I don't see how you can stand his ways. Marie—I can stand his ways, my dear, by remembering about his means.—Boston Transcript.

"Run upstairs, Tommy, and bring baby's nightgown," said Tommy's mother. "Don't want to," said Tommy. "Oh Tommy! If you are not kind to your new little sister she'll put on her wings and fly back to heaven." Tommy's reply came. "Well, let her put on her wings and fly upstairs for her nightgown!"—New York Mail.

KABIBBLE KABARE

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE, IS IT RIGHT FOR PEOPLE TO TROW OLD SHOES AT A GROOM? WHAT DID YOU EXPECT—BRAND NEW ONES?

"Women have queer ways." "How now?" "The styles call for mannish hats. So she bought a mannish hat for Mr. Wells." "She could have bought a man's hat for it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

OCTOBER.

October's skies are golden. October's days are brief, And something in the coloring Of October's gorgeous leaf, Gives in the birds' last twitter Before their journey long, Gives heart and soul a glimmering Of October's splendid song: How God is with us always. Even to the end; and He Our guide and stay and comforter In journeys long will be.

October's winds come fiercely And they chill us through and through, And we wonder, softly sighing, At the havoc that they do. The leaves come whirling downward, Live things prepare for sleep; But we know the Heavenly Father Will watch o'er their slumber deep. Then again we catch the message From the stars on the hill, And the golden red yet blooming, That God is with us still.

October's full of whisperings Of the mortal days soon done. October's full of promise Of a new life to come. There are buds upon the leafless trees, Many chrysalides in the grass, And winged seeds are waiting For the winds that lightly pass. With patience, words befitting, Let us hear the words they say— Await the Lord's good pleasure, And for patience humbly pray.

MARGARET HAMILTON.

ROVAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure Made from Cream of Tartar No Alum—No Phosphate

Every Woman Cares Every woman wants luscious oat food, and wants it rightly cooked. Those who don't get it do not know the way. The way is this: Ask for Quaker Oats. These flakes are made of queen grains only. Two-thirds of each bushel is discarded as unfit. Yet, at most stores, this extra quality costs no extra price. Then get this Quaker Cooker to bring out the flavor in full. Most grocers have it on show. Go see it, then see our offers in each package. These things mean a royal dish, a finer oat dish than you dream of till you try it. From now on, for your own sake, serve it in your home.

Various Forms of Headache It is necessary in order to treat headaches properly to understand the causes which produce the headache. Says Dr. J. W. Ray of Bismarck, Ala. "Continued pain in the head, without knowing what causes give rise to it, and we must remember that headache it is to be treated according to the cause. We must not only be particular to give a remedy intended to counteract the cause which produces the headache, but we must also give a remedy to relieve the pain until the cause of the trouble has been removed. To answer this purpose Anti-kamnia Tablets will be found a most convenient and satisfactory remedy. One tablet every one to three hours gives comfort and rest in the most severe cases of headache, neuralgia and particularly the headaches of women."

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