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King Cotton is another one with an uneasy head.

That Agnes Callentes convention proves to be "hot water" all right.

The wanderers all agree that Omaha is a mighty good place to come back to.

Minnesota has six candidates for governor. Sort of six-day-go-as-you-please race.

Marriage generally proves a failure to the man who is wedded to his own genius.

Why, yes, the subdued auto light ordinance is a good one—provided it is enforced.

Uncle Sam is so very neutral that even the Army-Navy football game has been deferred.

Germany has fifty-four army corps on the field, which still leaves the 57 varieties a lead of three.

But even if the Thaw should abruptly end, we would have the Thaw case in reserve as a side issue.

The Bee has no patent on the short ballot slogan. All candidates are free to adopt it and welcome.

His loyal subjects are waiting to hear the good tidings from Ak-Sar-Ben's chancellor of the eschequer.

Our Congressman Lebeck will soon be home, and then what was missing in this campaign will be supplied.

This democratic congress seems to have as hard a time agreeing on adjournment as agreeing on anything else.

Colonel Watterson has surrendered to Commander-in-chief Wilson, but still continues to bombard the German emperor.

Our democratic contemporary has discovered "a reformed republican." Well, we are glad to know there is at least one of him.

"A man with millions may be poorer than the raked beggar holding out his hat for charity," says a philosopher-humorist. Perhaps, but he never feels it as keenly.

Charles W. Morse—former ice king, you know—has been sued for a million. But after all, with the promise of many more six-months installments of life before him, what does he care?

They may be able to run down John D. Rockefeller ships at sea, but experience has proved the futility of trying to catch John D. himself, on land or sea when he does not want to be caught.

The Idaho state treasurer has pleaded guilty to embezzlement and taken a penitentiary sentence. Unless Idaho is different from Nebraska, a petition of full pardon will soon be in circulation actively pushed along by the beneficiaries of the loot.

Is This a Way Out?
 "If we owe Great Britain \$200,000,000, and if we have cotton to that amount which Great Britain needs, it ought not to be difficult to make a trade," suggests the Baltimore Sun. Possibly this might afford a way out of our mutual troubles. Why was not this phase of the question more fully considered in congress ahead of the flat money plan for the south? England would have nothing but gold for her obligations? Well, then we might insist on nothing but gold for our cotton and accounts might balance.

Yet through emergency action we have gone to work to hasten our hundreds of millions in gold to Europe to meet recurring obligations since the war begun, while not only England, but other warring countries, are unable, it seems, to offer us any relief in return. The cotton crisis is, to be sure, a national affair, not to be reckoned entirely from a sectional point of view, and would justify some special arrangement if it could be brought about. Even though it is urged that, so far as England is concerned, it is merely a matter of the price of cotton, the exchange still should not be impossible.

Call for Yankee Genius.
 Now that the war has put the Parisian fashion makers hors d' combat, many sensible Americans are crying for styles of our own. And why not, as The Bee has already suggested? Our toadyism is a very costly luxury to sustain, and the war will teach us that it is by no means indispensable.

The Case of Steel.
 The formal action now being taken before the federal courts in Philadelphia to dissolve the United States Steel Corporation is the outgrowth of the move begun under the Taft administration in 1911. Under the date of July 1, of that year, Herbert Knox Smith, commissioner of corporations, filed an exhaustive report, showing the astounding mastery of this greatest of all modern industrial combines. It controlled, not only the refined product, but the raw ore as well, and utterly defied competition. As a matter of fact, it controlled two-thirds of the country's crude steel and from one-half to four-fifths of the principal rolled steel products, being therefore thoroughly integrated from ore to the finished output.

Working by the Day.
 A certain Chicago business man has had a great deal of trouble with his workmen, a number of whom have from time to time evinced a disposition to "soldier."
 On one occasion when this gentleman, in company with his brother, was visiting the farm of a friend in southern Illinois, the two observed an unusual figure standing in a distant field.
 "Since I ain't movin'," observed the brother, "it must be a scarecrow."
 "That ain't a scarecrow," said the other, after a long gaze at the figure. "That's a man working by the day."
 —Chicago Post.

People and Events
 Irving Ruland of Wading River, L. I., husband of two weeks' vacation, wearied the hat with his wife's family and came out of the maelstrom carrying the family stove, with a hot dinner in the oven and two constables on guard. A replatin held the stove, but a like decree failed to fetch the bride of two weeks.
 London militants are not idle, although their doings no longer command front page publicity. Mrs. Desmond, a sister of General Sir John French, is commander-in-chief of a volunteer police force of women who will so to action should London be invaded by hostiles. The volunteers are torqued out in navy blue serge military cut, a belt and bowler shoulder straps, and a hard felt hat of the "bowler" pattern. Sartorial experts declare the uniform is the most warlike regalia that ever fluttered the bunting on Piccadilly.
 In the old days when kings were kings who had pie three times a day, one of the biggest mutts in the ruling-business based navigation on the River Scheldt collected tolls from seamen when he needed a bunch of money. A peasant who did not cough up promptly and cheerily had their right hands cut off at the elbow and the dismembered parts were tossed into the river. Old chronicles say that a party of seamen who disliked surgery one day fell upon the ruling mutt, cut off both his arms as well as his head and cast them into the Scheldt. The people afterward speak of the place where the king was cut up as "Hans' Wert," from the Flemish words "hand" and "werfen," to throw. In the Flemish the two words were merged into "Antwerpen," and today the city is known as Antwerp.

Three cabinet members are to stomp Missouri, and the vice president in addition. Neither the administration is in desperate straits down there or merely wants to show 'em.

The Latest Historic Ride.

It makes the blood tingle, this thrilling ride of the president from golf links to capitol to sign the war revenue bill before congress adjourns. Like a flash his auto flies through the streets, pursued by curious crowds. The president is clad in his white golf flannels. He leaps from the machine and up the big stone steps, three at a time, to reach his desk just as the big clock is about to tick off the last minute of grace. His "specs," where are they? A senator thrusts a strange pair into his hands. The president seizes a pen and whips his signature across the paper just in time to save the day for a strangling nation.
 Now, of course, what future historians may say of his famous ride, we do not know. It will be spectacular, no doubt of that, but the glamor surrounding it is punctured in two or three places. First, congress being a very perverse creature, did not adjourn after all, but went along filibustering. Second, the treasury, while needing a war revenue measure, was far from stragulating.
 And, no doubt, President Wilson, with natural dignity, will let the incident slip by without further ado.

Three Deserving Congressmen.

Of Nebraska's six representatives in the lower house at Washington three are republicans, and all three, namely, Sloan in the Fourth, Barton in the Fifth and Kinkaid in the Sixth district, have been renominated, practically without opposition. What is more, prospects all point to their re-election by safe majorities, as should be where constituents appreciate faithful and painstaking service. Congressman Kinkaid's long experience in the halls of legislation has put him in the ranks of the veterans, while Congressman Sloan has been coming rapidly to the front as one of the republican floor leaders. Congressman Barton, though serving his first term, has in many ways proved his usefulness. All these republican members of the Nebraska delegation have been alive to the interests of the state, and their districts, and even where they have differed upon measures have merely manifested an independence asserting their honest convictions. The voters of their respective districts will do well for themselves, for Nebraska and for the nation to keep them where they are.

Iron Cross of Germany.

Dispatches from Germany frequently tell how the emperor has been distributing the iron cross among officers and men who have distinguished themselves in the war. The decoration was instituted a century ago by Frederick William III, king of Prussia, as a reward for bravery in the Napoleonic wars. The original design consisted of an iron cross of the form known as "cross patte," with a border of silver suspended by a black ribbon with two white stripes. In the center of the cross with a spray of three oak leaves and above it was a crown with the initials "F. W." and the date of 1813.
 When the Franco-Prussian war began Emperor William I received the order, which had languished. The only change in the cross was that the initial became a "W" and the date was changed to 1870.
 Since the Franco-Prussian war no iron crosses have been awarded, the order being strictly a military one and the awards being made for deeds of daring in battle.
 There are many German orders, dating from the feudal days, when the Teuton barons awarded to their loyal vassals various marks of favor. These orders, however, are mainly conferred by the rulers of the various kingdoms and principalities constituting the empire, and many of them are for terms of military service or for distinguished work in devising military weapons.

Orders of Other Nations.

Franchism, of course, covet the Legion of Honor, awarded to all men France thinks have done some great deed, no matter in what walk of life. It was founded by Napoleon in 1802, and was first known as the Order of the Eagle.
 The Russians, for military bravery, decorate with the Order of St. George, which was established by Empress Catherine II in 1782.
 Serbia has the Order of Takova, and Austria has two purely military orders.
 Japan has the Order of the Golden Kite, the newest of all of the decorations for valor. It was established in 1891.
 Austria confers her Ancient Order of Marie Therese.
 Russia has her Order of St. Vladimir sparingly, to the successful soldiers.
 Denmark has one of the most illustrious orders of chivalry, the Order of the Elephant, which ranks even with that of the Order of the Garter.
 Spain is truly proud of her Order of the Golden Piece, which is, and has been, most sparingly conferred.
 Italy never fails to decorate her soldiers with her Military Medal of Merit.

Medals of Honor

Britain's New Decorations.
 Great Britain has instituted two new hero decorations as rewards for distinguished services on land and sea in the present war. The immensity of the struggle and the numbers engaged develop such variety of uncommon service that existing medals of honor, with restricted conditions of award, do not fully meet the needs of the service. The new decorations comprise a "distinguished service medal," available for non-commissioned officers and men in the army and navy where "conspicuous gallantry medals" would not be applicable, and a "conspicuous service cross," which may be won by officers below the rank of lieutenant commander.
 The most prized of all the badges of valor awarded in Great Britain is the Victoria cross. The little Maltese cross of bronze bearing the simple inscription, "For valor," had its origin in the Crimean war, and was primarily intended to be conferred upon junior commissioned officers and the rank and file. Neither rank, length of service, wounds nor any circumstance whatsoever can qualify for this noble badge save a personal act of signal bravery performed in the presence of the enemy. The decoration was instituted by Queen Victoria in 1856, the price consort being, it is said, its originator and the designer of the insignia of it.
 Each Victoria cross is made from bronze which once formed part of some Russian guns captured during the Crimean war, and although the medal itself is intrinsically worth only about fourpence halfpenny, a number of them have been sold at sales for £300 and over. The winning of the Victoria cross carries an annuity of £50, which may be increased to £50, payable quarterly, to all except officers, but including those who have risen from the ranks. Sixty years ago the Russian fortress of Bomarsund, in the Baltic Sea, was being bombarded by an Anglo-French force. Suddenly a shell from the fortress fell on the deck of H. H. H. In an instant a brave young man seized it, and, with fusa hissing between his hands, he fung it with a jerk overboard. That young mate—he ultimately became Rear Admiral Charles Davis Lucas, who died a few days ago—was immediately promoted lieutenant and awarded the Victoria cross, being the first to win that much-coveted decoration, although, owing to three other officers being of senior rank, he was the fourth actually to receive it from Queen Victoria.

Letters from 8th National Hearings.

SOMEWHERE, Oct. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: It is unnecessary to refer to the recall of Henry Lane Wilson, the expedition of John Lind, the splendid conduct, supreme patience, job-like patience and consummate tact of that past master of diplomacy, Nelson O'Shaughnessy, resident at the capital of Mexico as the official representative of the government, which recognized Mexico simply as 76,839 square miles of territory, containing 15,501,684 of population.
 Passing a year of watchful waiting, murder, looting, torture and rape, we come to the Tampico incident. On April 8, 1854, an American government vessel, the Dolphin, was stationed in Tampico. Some American sailors from the ship, going on board were arrested by an ignorant and over-zealous Mexican subaltern. These were released after a superior officer. The subaltern was punished. An ample apology was afterward tendered by Huerta. But this should have ended the affair. But the American squadron at Tampico happened to be in command of a blustering and boisterous bully of the quarterdeck, the doughy hero of many unfought battles—a character well known to old sailors. He demanded a salute to the American flag. The administration backed the demand. Reflect for one moment upon the petty absurdity. According to the Bryanite theory, Huerta was a murderer and freebooter. Here was a demand not that the government, but that a bandit, salute the flag. Huerta consented, but demanded that a return salute be given gun for gun. This arrangement fell through. Congress virtually delegated its power to declare war to the president—an act without precedent—and twelve days after the alleged outrage, April 21, the United States took forcible possession of Vera Cruz at the cost of 26 human lives. We have held it ever since, collecting import duties at Mexico's chief port, and now have more than \$1,000,000 of Mexico's revenue in our pocket, but do not know what to do with it. Quere: Have we had one or two wars with Mexico?
 After the Vera Cruz incident came the A. B. C. tender of good offices, and the Niagara conference, at which we receded from our demand for a salute to the flag, which was our casus belli, but set about to regulate the internal affairs of Mexico. Huerta left Mexico for England, confessing that he was forced to do so by the United States. Professing neutrality as much as we go in the present transatlantic conflict, we had removed the embargo on arms and given our moral support to a country pill-fogger and a Hunnish bandit, setting themselves the leaders of the constitutional party of Mexico. Carranza was broken, knew that he was nothing. Out of eighteen we have had only two that were above mediocrity, and several who in private life would hardly attract the attention of their next door neighbor. Nebraska's ironic Bismarck can boast of having eliminated for Mexico the only man capable of restoring law and order to that unhappy country.
 Clip this letter from The Bee and read it beside the next letter. I shall write it.

Here and There

Moving pictures are used in a school of electric railway employees in Los Angeles to show how all sorts of accidents occur and how many of them can be prevented.
 Heading the list with a 20 per cent reduction of his own salary, President Fairfax Harrison of the Southern railroad has inaugurated a retrenchment plan which is designed to affect equally all officers and interests in the corporation.
 Superintendent of the city clocks is the position held by D. M. Graffam, 58 years old, of Providence, R. I. For seventeen years Mr. Graffam has been keeping 1,500 clocks ticking in the schools of Providence and he is also in charge of the clocks of the state capitol.
 Dan Smith of Big Island, Lake Minnetonka, has succeeded in obtaining a swallow-tailed kite, a rare bird in Minnesota. It was shot near Howard, at least 125 miles north of St. Anthony Falls, which was set by scientists as the northernmost limit for the flight of these birds.
 Within three years the number of men killed in the metal mines of the United States has decreased from 419 per thousand to 264. Better safety tools and more rigorously imposed rules with better supervision, both by the companies and the state authorities have accomplished the reduction.
 It will be little short of a miracle if the war doesn't develop family complications. Suppose, for example, one of Count Zeppelin's airships, in dropping bombs around London, should blow up the statue of the Kaiser's grandmother in front of Buckingham palace, or the statue of the Kaiser's grandfather in Hyde park, what would the Kaiser do to the count? It's your guess.
 According to the preliminary report of the census bureau, just published, the colored population of the country has been making a good record of progress, measured by the returns of the decade with whose development it deals. In the ten-year period the total value of the farm property operated by negroes has more than doubled and now exceeds very considerably \$1,000,000,000. But perhaps the most encouraging gain of all is the advance that has been made in education. In 1900 more than 87 per cent of the blacks were reported as illiterate. That has now been reduced to a little over 50 per cent.

The Bee's Letter Box

OMAHA, Oct. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Let us have articles from the readers of your paper telling of how the war started (if they know how it did), or a description of its awfulness, or in sympathy for the mothers, sisters, and wives of the butchered soldiers. Letters in sympathy for any special wearing habit should be given no consideration.
 We, as citizens of the greatest nation on the globe, are not German, French, English, Russian! We are brothers by adoption, living in peace in a great and glorious land. I have heard men of foreign birth tell how much better the old country was than our grand old United States. Now to them I wish to say that if the Kaiser, czar, king or emperor appeals and demands for moves to them than our free democratic spirited president they should go to his side and forever swear allegiance to rulers who can play with men's lives as pawns upon a vast chess board.
 E. C.

Editorial Snapshots

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Wheat and corn are commanding such high prices in the markets of the world that they are no longer ashamed to associate with cattle and hogs.
 Indianapolis News: Before the war began Belgium had more inhabitants to the square mile than any other country. And now it probably has more dead men to the square mile.
 Pittsburgh Dispatch: Out in Nebraska some of the democrats are boiling the party ticket because it was put up by "the boss." Tammany may suggest to Mr. Bryan that reform should begin at home.
 New York Post: When one reads of General Benesukamp leading the Slavs against a Teutonic force headed by General Boeveris, he loses all faith in the maxim that blood is thicker than water.
 Philadelphia Bulletin: The poor man's medicine will not be taxed for the customs deficit, but chewing gum is taxed with beer drinking, wine sipping, tobacco and the movies, as among the great American habits, and must be taxed.
 New York World: Deaths and injuries from industrial accidents in the United States have been reduced one-half within six years. But how insignificant is this mere conservation of human life by a peace nation by comparison with the wholesale destruction of it under military rule!

THE VOICE THAT RULES.

When autumn winds rage 'round about
 And cold rains lash against the pane,
 We murmur and lament and doubt
 We'll never see the sun again.
 But autumn storms one voice obey,
 The while they howl about the eaves,
 And when their work is done we'll wage
 And see the sunlight on the leaves.
 And thus it is when wa-ou-ou loom,
 And cannons roar and thunder fall;
 It seems there'll ne'er be peace again,
 So dark and drearily in the pall.
 But there's a Hand that rules the storm,
 A Voice that all things must obey,
 And when it speaks, lo, peace shall dawn,
 And war and strife shall fade away.
 —SAVOLL NE TRELLER.

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Thirty Years Ago
 This Day in Omaha

The street car company has a large force of men at work on the Thirtieth street line and hopes to have cars running before the ground is frozen. The company contemplates building the red line seven or eight blocks north, and then running it to connect with the green line on Eleventh street. It plans also to build a line east Farnam to Twenty-fourth and then across to connect with the St. Mary's avenue line.

Report has it that eastern parties will lease the packing house at the Union stock yards and put them in charge of J. H. Hammond for operation.

Folkman John Turnbull and Miss H. G. Cummings were united in marriage at the bride's home, 709 South Thirtieth, by Rev. James Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Joslyn have returned from a trip to Canada.

Mrs. W. E. Copeland left for her old home in Boston to spend a few weeks with friends.

Superintendent James has gone to Leavenworth to attend the annual convention of western school superintendents.

William H. Hans, who has been ailing for a few days, is again at his desk.

Mrs. C. M. Richmond, 124 Capitol avenue, wants to out and make children's clothes to order.

Frank J. Range offers a reward for the return of a lost pig, which answers to name of Pido, two years old, light with yellow spots, with ears cut.

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