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See the vote-chasers coming down the home stretch!
Europe's war did not prevent our canal opening several months ahead of scheduled time.

Peaceful America must feed warring Europe while it is engaged in the business of "hell."
Put in a vote for "Tom" Hollister for county attorney if you want to favor a clean and capable lawyer.

Candidate Berge, at any rate, is entitled to thanks for furnishing us with good ammunition for later use in the campaign.
No politics in the Water board. Not at all. Only three high-priced Water board employees running for party nominations.

The contest for the republican senatorial nomination in Kansas turns out to be much closer than first returns indicated.
Al Jennings has lost out for governor of Oklahoma, but the chautauquas and movies are still open to him, and no questions asked.

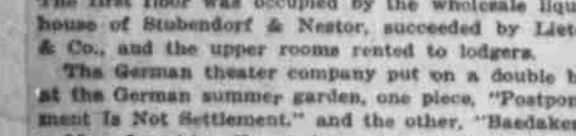
And the fact that Carranza gets the provisional presidency passed over to him is only good for an obscure item on an inside page.
The "withdrawal" candidate for congress seems to have hesitated too long to save his face by filing the withdrawal of his withdrawal.

Mr. Bryan's Commoner, just out, contains an article about the "consumers getting the benefit of sugar reduction." Guess again!
We should like to believe that the news of our esteemed Omaha ball club's battles comes through prejudiced channels, but "what's the use?"

The colonel takes no stock in peace treaties. A big stick and a well disciplined army and navy are his preferred instruments for producing peace.
The turn-over has taken place in Mexico. The only question remaining is whether it will stay turned over. In the interval, our troops continue to hold Vera Cruz.

When two or more men make a solemn agreement for mutual co-operation they should stick by it, whether for better or worse. Likewise with two or more nations.
At last, someone has come forward with the familiar old statement that "the Bible foretold the final war." Unfortunately, however, there is nothing in the Bible to assure us that this is the last.

As a rule, there is no trouble finding an appropriate name for a war. It was the Russo-Jap war, the Spanish-American war, the Balkan war, the Franco-German war, but for once we have no many angles that the name that fits is far from obvious.
The Kansas City Star observes that it is particularly trying to German-Americans to get all their war news through Paris, when they remember that Paris reported a French victory at Sedan on September 2, 1870. Fortunately or unfortunately, not all of us date back that far.



People in the vicinity of Eleventh and Douglas streets were startled by what seemed to be an explosion, which proved to be the collapse of the walls of the Paddock block, but luckily no one was injured.

The German theater company put on a double bill at the German summer garden, one piece, "Postponement in Hot Settlement," and the other, "Seedaker."

As to Election Commissioner
Excited partisans of a desperate candidate are endeavoring to make the people believe that the position of election commissioner for Douglas county is paramount to that of governor, and that we should choose a governor to hold a particular man in the job of election commissioner.

Let us consider this whole question dispassionately. First and foremost, the implication that there is no one else honest enough to administer the office of election commissioner is an insult to every republican, and to every democrat and progressive not holding office.

Secondly, the promise to appoint a particular man to a specific office is a flagrant violation of law. It is a corrupt bid for the votes and support of the incumbent election commissioner and his more than 600 subordinate judges and clerks of election.

In the third place, the promise of a republican candidate for governor to name a democratic election commissioner is a violation of the election commissioner law itself.

Such election commissioner shall appoint a chief deputy commissioner who shall be a member of a political party other than the one with which the election commissioner affiliates and polling the highest number of votes at the preceding election for governor.

The United States is not alone in the problem of balancing its population between city and country. Both England and its province, Australia, are up against the same thing.

The situation as between England and Australia seems none the less anomalous. Be it remembered that while the province has been drawing heavily from the population of the mother country, it has been from the rural, not the urban centers.

This is what has happened: Old England has been bereft of many good tillers of the soil until in that long and thickly peopled island, where unoccupied farm land might be supposed extremely rare, the cry goes up for farmers to fill the vacant places.

A Mistake—But No Harm Done.
The arrest of our Omaha gubernatorial water spouter for obstructing the streets was a mistake, whether a violation of the ordinance or not.

Three constitutional amendments on the primary election ballot, of which at least two are of doubtful expediency. Remember that a majority vote in the primary puts the party label on amendments for the election, and practically insures ratification—so vote for or against as you want to be recorded.

Those who understand Actor Bothers's aversion for stock company will appreciate the force of the situation in which the war caught him in Russia and compelled him to ride in a cattle train.

Progress of Sweden
Observations of Prof. Alexis of the University of Nebraska, Now Visiting in that Country.

The Baltic exposition, which is being held this summer at Malmö, Sweden, brings together four nations which in times past have waged only too many wars with one another.

The question of armament and military training is being discussed in all earnestness in Sweden at the present time, and the country is very much divided on the subject.

Tuesday, July 14, was a day of special interest at the exposition, as the kings of Sweden and of Denmark were present and visited the various exhibits.

The Bogus K. of C. Oath.
OMAHA, Aug. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: A case was tried July 23 at Waterville, Minn., which is of the greatest importance to Catholics as well as Protestants.

The Moon and the Weather.
Dwight, Neb., Aug. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: Will you please tell us what makes the difference in temperature (most marked in winter; some winters more than others), at different times of the moon?

As far as natural scenery is concerned, the Scandinavians need not leave the fatherland. We find the homes situated by lake or river where nature makes its most effective appeal.

The Bee's Letter Box

Brief contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

Game of a Political Faker.
NORTH LOUP, Neb., Aug. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: The people of Nebraska should take note of the campaign methods now being pursued in order to nominate Mr. Howell for governor.

The War and Its Causes.
OMAHA, Aug. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: Mr. Bagehot has said eloquently and plausibly for Germany in this war, but he does not state the case fairly.

The Extortioners.
OMAHA, Aug. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: The administration is confronted with the problem of raising about \$100,000,000 to make up losses on account of falling off of custom receipts.

A Melting Pot for Orphans.
OMAHA, Aug. 16.—To the Editor of The Bee: I read a letter in your paper where a good lady is offering many old and valuable relics and keepsakes for a melting pot for votes for women.

Horror of War.
Baltimore American.
One terrible effect of a general war in Europe is the effect it might have on the fashions. The latter have been weird enough, but a mingling of the various nationalities might turn our streets into veritable museums of horrors.

Another Bungalow.
Oh, I'd like to have (and don't you for a bet!)
A bungalow with a kitchenette.
With a rose vine trellised in front of the door.
To hide my pink check pinafore.
And a cool porch screened from mosquito's bite.
And a pretty lawn dotted with clovers white.

War Prices

Washington Star: In America the farmhand continues to be the man of the hour.

Baltimore American: The foreign war is no excuse for higher prices for food in this country.

Atlanta Constitution: Of course, the beef trust will raise the price. There's always room at the top.

Christian Science Monitor: A fair price for its foodstuffs is all that the United States has a right to claim from other countries.

Philadelphia Record: We don't mind a good price for our wheat, but it would be rank piracy to make us pay \$10 a barrel for flour.

Washington Herald: It is announced that petroleum is contraband of war. Of course. Haven't we been paying war prices for it?

Indianapolis News: It's pretty tough, too, to have the price of sugar go soaring before the canning season is near over. But such is war.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: The prices of provisions may be going up in St. Paul, but just think of the wonderful bargains in clothing at the different stores.

Springfield Republican: With the promise of abundant potatoes the country can face the situation with some calm. While the potato barrel is full nobody can starve.

Philadelphia Inquirer: Some of these food price boosters may wish they were in the thick of the European conflict when the Housewives' league begins its mobilization against them.

New Orleans Times: The National Housewives' league urges American housekeepers to cut down expenses. The advice is excellent, but not easy to follow in the face of a threatened "general advance" of prices on the staples which housewives must buy.

Irretrievable Old Man—Ray, does this car always make this racket?
Chauffeur—No, sir; only when it's running.—Buffalo Express.
"Isn't Morton something of a miser?"
I should say so. Why, he's too tight to risk a suggestion.—Lippincott's.

WITH THE WITS.

"Grotto got mad when I presented him with that handsome spear. I thought he'd value a fine trophy."
"it looked like a slap at his wife's former occupation. She used to carry a spear in the chorus."—Seattle Post Intelligence.

Howell—What is your idea of happiness?
Powell—Nothing to do until tomorrow, with a Greenland night coming before morning.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Pop!"
"Yes, my son."
"The early birds don't get all the worms."
"Is that so, my boy?"
"Sure; some of the early apples get 'em, too."—Yonkers Statesman.

"I'm going to learn the deaf and dumb language."
"What for?"
"So's the next time I go after a bride no measly little dictagraph can catch me."—Detroit Free Press.

"There's one thing 'bout fall," said the former convict, "that makes a mighty strong appeal to most of us."
"Wha' that?"
"You don't get no musk with your meals."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Oh, I'd like to have (and don't you for a bet!)
A bungalow with a kitchenette.
With a rose vine trellised in front of the door.
To hide my pink check pinafore.
And a cool porch screened from mosquito's bite.
And a pretty lawn dotted with clovers white.

Where I could go and dabble my toes in the morning dew, as the sun arose.
And count the morning glories that stare in sweet surprise at the world so fair;
And feel on my shoulder a kindly hand,
And hear his voice (with no hint of command)
Say, "Precious, how pretty and sweet you look!"
But—don't, you think that it's time to "cook!"

Oh, I'm going to have (for I'll never say "no")
Just such a delightful bungalow.
—DOLORES.

Your First Choice
To St. Paul and Minneapolis
The Chicago Great Western is the shortest line from Omaha to the Twin Cities. It has been rebuilt and re-equipped and reorganized at a cost of 16 millions of dollars or nearly \$11,000 per mile.