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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 21st day of August, 1907. (Seal) M. B. HUNOAT, Notary Public.

WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them.

A good, stiff breeze will dissipate the moth ball odor in a few hours.

Cleveland is beginning to hope that the Tompkins habit is not incurable.

It would be interesting to know what the Kentucky courts do between Caleb Powers trials.

The drouthy time at the clubs has been postponed again, but the shadow of the lid hangs over them all.

There is no harm in dancing, if you dance alone," says Rev. Dr. Clark.

The housewife has caught step with the advance in prices in other lines and is putting her preserves up.

When it comes to information about his fortune Mr. Rockefeller shows the big difference between get and forget.

The New Jersey democrats have named one Katzenbach for governor.

A new generation has taken hold of the management of the Standard Oil company.

Delegates at The Hague conference have refused to apply the principle of arbitration to the adjustment of their own differences.

The gathering of the political class at Lincoln is attended with much less of fuss and feathers than in the past.

President Roosevelt cannot be blamed for being interested in that mayoralty fight at Cleveland.

Latest advices are that Mr. Cortelyou shows no indication of having received the New York World's demand for his resignation from the cabinet.

"A New Jersey girl claims that her broken leg was cured by faith. Her's is larger than ours," says the Nashville American.

"Stick to the truth," advises the Washington Post. Times would be mighty lively in Washington if that advice were generally accepted there.

King Ak-Sar-Ben's advance guard is at the outskirts of the city and will be welcomed with the cordial hospitality that always has been extended by Omaha.

Those democratic editors who are worrying about whom Colonel Bryan will name if he decides not to run himself are going out of their way to borrow trouble.

Andrew Carnegie has told a Glasgow audience that New York is the best governed large city in the world.

Senator Foraker is unduly alarmed about the safety of the American constitution.

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AN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.

Secretary Straus of the Department of Commerce and Labor is taking active steps looking to the organization of an industrial peace commission, with a fund of \$1,000,000 at its disposal for the promotion of peace between employers and employees.

He has not outlined his plans fully for raising the fund, except to explain that it is aimed to secure the needed money by additions to the \$40,000 which the president turned over to the commission, authorized by congress, from the Nobel peace prize which was awarded to him last year.

President Roosevelt has done much to encourage the wider action of such an organization. The most notable of coal strikes in the history of the nation was settled by the arbitration plan, at the president's suggestion and the executive and departmental influences have several times been exerted to bring about settlement of labor disputes.

Compulsory arbitration has never been popular in America and the formation of such a commission as that proposed by Secretary Straus seems to offer the best solution yet suggested for the settlement of industrial strife.

The importance of the work outlined for the commission is appreciated both by employers and employees and it seems unfortunate that the country should wait for contributions before the fund is sufficient to enable the commission to get to work in earnest.

THE COMING OF MR. WU.

Americans generally will be disposed to change their minds about the lack of progressiveness and shrewdness on the part of Tai An, the empress dowager of China, if she carries out her promise to send Wu Ting-fang back as minister to the United States.

Mr. Wu served his country in that capacity at Washington and made a record for cleverness that has not been surpassed by any diplomat ever accredited to this country by any power.

China is considering the establishment of a new Parliament and is making an apparent effort to encourage more friendly relations with the United States in both a commercial and diplomatic way.

The time is here when Omaha must pay more attention to sweeping and sprinkling its streets. The broad thoroughfares of the city have long been its boast, and much money has been expended in paving and otherwise improving these streets.

The argument of the canners will not hold. They have had ample notice of the operation of the law and all of its provisions, and it must be their loss if they have not made preparations for observing the federal act.

Incidentally, the fact that their present labels do not meet the requirements of the law, in other words, do not state in substance the contents of the can, is the best argument in the world for the destruction of the labels and the printing of new ones that will give the customer some substantial hint of what he is buying.

The label question is a simple one. If the manufacturers have supplies of them that do not meet all of the requirements of the federal law, the defect may be remedied by the use of "stickers" supplying the omissions.

DELYING THE MAILS.

The request of the New York Central railway for remission of some of the fines that have been imposed upon it for delay in delivering the mails carried by it under contract calls attention to some of the rigorous methods employed by the Postoffice department to secure prompt and proper transit of the mails of the country.

In the last year the government collected over \$330,000 from railways for their failure to live up to the exact specifications of their contracts and the New York Central has already been fined \$37,000 for delayed mail trains in the first quarter of the present year.

Under the contracts with the government the railroads are subject to fines for carelessness and negligence in handling mail as well as delay in delivering it. The bulk of the fines collected last year came from such offenses as not picking up pouches at the stations, leaving the mail out in the rain or snow, dropping it where it would be run over and similar acts of carelessness.

Some of the regulations appear unusually severe, but it must be remembered that a very large proportion of the commercial business of the nation is conducted through the mails, and any delay in the matter of transmission or delivery is liable to cost great hardship and heavy loss upon merchants and men in all lines of business.

The government is to be commended for enforcing these rules and inflicting the heaviest allowable penalties for lapses. That is the surest guaranty of effective service.

WANTED—CLEANER STREETS.

OMAHA, Sept. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: Is there any reason why Omaha streets should be so dirty? We send our trade excursions to the coast and spend thousands of dollars to inform the inhabitants of the states and cities visited that Omaha is on the map.

We spend more annually to make the Ak-Sar-Ben carnival attractive in order to bring people to Omaha to show them our city. We are striving, with success, to extend our business relations to the east and west.

When the president makes his seventeen days' disappearance in the canyons of Louisiana perhaps the wicked corporations will be able to get a deeper sleep.

General Joe Wheeler's Record. Buffalo Express. The government authorized the inscription of General Joe Wheeler's confederate rank on his tombstone in Arlington cemetery.

What Did They Do with It. Pittsburgh Dispatch. The detectives' expense account on the train which took Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone to Boise contains items showing the expenditure of 25 cents for two loaves of bread and \$3.50 for three dozen bottles of Budweiser and one dozen of whisky.

Cinch Beats a Gold Mine. Philadelphia Record. One result of the hearing that is going on in New York ought to be a sharp advance in the price of Standard Oil shares.

AN APPEAL FOR THE FARM. Independence and Happiness Flourish on the Soil. Governor Hughes, in Leslie's Weekly. When you get out where a man has a little elbow room and a chance to develop, he has thoughts of his own.

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Replies on the Current of Life in the Metropolis. Summer raged down the curtain in Greater New York last Saturday evening with a succession of thrills calculated to jar the oldest inhabitant and the younger ones.

A large section of the superstructure of the eastern end of the Blackwell's island bridge was knocked to pieces, the heavy timbers falling to the water and the lightning striking the 75-foot section and so weakened it that two or three heavy gusts of wind brought the whole piece crashing to the ground.

A bolt of lightning struck the flag pole on the Manhattan Storage company's wharf at Lexington avenue and Forty-second street. The pole was nearly 100 feet high and at least twelve inches in diameter.

In Williamsburg a bolt of lightning split a house in midair, striking a church and a hospital three blocks apart, damaging both buildings and setting the occupants in a panic.

Brooklyn's hallorator lasted about five minutes and stretched from the business section of the city to Flatbush. The hall was crowded to the doors, but there was plenty of room for the horses nearly frantic.

New York's newest hotel to be built, the Plaza, which cost \$2,500,000 to duplicate \$1,250,000 of the old, has 1,200 rooms and 1,800 servants, was thrown open for inspection to newspaper men last Saturday.

Wood River Sunbeam: When will the railroads ever learn that enough is enough? They evidently found that the fight they put up to evade paying their big taxes resulted most disastrously to them.

Below the street a system of ventilation keeps that part of the hotel as cool as the topmost story. The explanation of how so costly a hotel could provide quarters at popular rates, it was said that the renters of \$10 and \$12 apartments were expected to make up the loss on the cheaper rooms.

Hundreds of victims of the Mardi Gras celebration at Coney Island have been treated in hospitals and dispensaries for inflamed and sore eyes, caused by the throwing of confetti. It is also predicted by physicians that the rubbing of "ticklers" on the faces of the motorists will cause an epidemic of skin diseases.

Mid-air love-making is the newest wrinkle in New York wooing. Detective Graney discovered it when he rushed to St. Ignace school in East Eighty-fourth street in response to a burglar alarm from the sisters. He found Matthew Bellfield, Swede, height 6 feet 4 inches, weight 198, dangling by one hand to an iron girder 150 feet in the air in a building in course of erection next door to the school, while with the other he waved "welcome" to a young girl who stood at a window of the convent.

There Are Others. Brooklyn Eagle. Of the two prospective democratic senators from Oklahoma, one is blind and the other a Cherokee. Well, other states have "majors" in congress, and some members are as good as blind.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Robert Pinkerton left an estate of \$3,000,000. Evidently there is money in private detectiveing.

Richard Robbins of Boston has started a movement to mark the birthplace of Benjamin Franklin.

Ex-President Cleveland's trouble, according to Dr. Joseph P. Bryant, is gout, and his physician says there is no cause for alarm.

The Kaiser when out shooting some times leads a severely simple life. He has a shooting lodge near Sittichenmund made of plain boards covered with bark and hidden away in the woods.

Prof. Thaddeus S. C. Lowe of Pasadena, Cal., who recently celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday, was the inventor of the compressed ice machine and in 1865 made the first artificial ice ever produced in this country.

Prof. Paul Clemmen, who was selected by the emperor of Germany to deliver a course of lectures at Harvard university, has arrived in New York. He is widely known as a student of fine arts, and has held the chair of the history of art and literature at Bonn university since 1902.

Lord James of Hereford has signed an appeal just printed in England, for subscriptions toward the establishment of a library in memory of Dickens. He points out that "the memorial will be no mere monument (Mr. Dickens, in his will, objected to such tributes), but will be a most valuable aid to writers and students."

"I suppose it's always hog-killing time in your town. Miss Pecker," sneered the New Yorker. "Of yes," replied the fair visitor from Chicago, "but don't let that keep you from visiting us. We always protect our kucias!"

"Just like the fish story in modern times," Philadelphia Press. "Patience—And you say he is a deceitful man?" "Patience—Well, I should say so! Why, he had a can made out of Dickens' typewriter to cover his bald head—Yonkers Statesman."

"I don't see why Peckham should make a poor mouth all the time. He commands a good salary every week of his life." "He may command it, but his wife demands it every week!" Philadelphia Press.

First Chorus Girl—Nellie ain't feelin' well. She's gotta get over it. "What's the matter?" "She's puttin' on airs like a primmer down Kansas City Post."

Mrs. Lapaling was telling the caller all about Johnny's narrow escape. "I don't declare," she said, "I thought he would choke to death before we could get the doctor. He'd got a piece of green apple fast in his theosophagus and it wouldn't go either way." Chicago Tribune.

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THE RAILROADS AND THE PEOPLE

Clarkson Herald: Some newspapers, when they can trump up no other charge against a man, accuse him of being a railroad lobbyist.

Fremont Herald: Railroad station agents at small towns, are always—most always—cranky or discourteous, or both. Why is it? Why, simply because they are not required to be otherwise, as they are in the larger places.

Utica Sun: The republican county central committee, in session last Saturday, passed strong resolutions in regard to the railroad corporations delaying the railroad commission in getting proper rates into effect and instructing the delegate to uphold the government in calling a special session of the legislature to make laws compelling the railroads to come to time.

Keareney Hub: It is understood in Lincoln that Governor Sheldon will call a special session of the legislature in the event that Judge Munger gives the railroads a permanent injunction against the commission to restrain that body from putting the proposed reduced grain rates into effect.

David City Press: The selection of Mr. Aldrich of this city to act as advisor to the State Board of Railroad commissioners will give considerable satisfaction to not only the people of this immediate vicinity, but also to the people of Nebraska at large.

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