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WHEN OUT OF TOWN: Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

"Saving is worse than spending," says an eastern college professor. It may not be worse, but it is certainly harder.

According to John O. Yeiser, eight hours is enough for any man to work. But Yeiser does not practice what he preaches.

The one redeeming feature of the congressional free seed graft is the fact that the farmers who receive the stuff refuse to plant it.

Dr. David Jayne Hill is credited with having maintained "a dignified silence" about his Berlin appointment. What else could he do?

Senator Crane is opposed to tying the Massachusetts delegates up for Mr. Taft. It is not necessary. Most of them will be for him without tying.

The belt goes to the Kansas City Star for discovering that "the next Biennial convention of the democratic party" will be held in Denver.

Mr. Bryan announces that he will not attend the Denver convention. He has the party trained so it will take orders over the long distance telephone.

Minority Leader Williams is not making much progress with his scheme to aid the republicans in passing laws to make democratic campaign thunder.

Mr. Bryan says he is willing to abide by the decision of the voters of his party, but he will be disappointed if they fail to force a nomination on him at Denver.

A street car conductor at St. Louis has been arrested for beating a passenger. Served him right. He should have been content with beating the company.

Another telephone company down in New Jersey has gone into receivership. Somehow the impulsion prevails that all telephones are equipped with receivers all the time.

Turn about is fair play. After returning east Mr. Taft is throwing numerous bouquets at Omaha as a thriving and progressive city. It is a case of mutual admiration.

"Every man has his limitations," says Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis. Any man who does not think so is invited to express his opinion about Easter styles in women's hats.

The biggest and best educator whose services can be commanded for the money we can afford to spend is none too good for the position of principal of the Omaha High school.

Theatrical Manager Savage has asked the courts to enjoin other companies from playing "The Merry Widow." The injunction should be made all-inclusive and perpetual.

The supreme court of the United States may as well take notice and be warned. Congressman Littlefield proposes to have the new employers' liability bill declared unconstitutional.

A New York dispatch states that Prince de Sagan and Mme. Gould enjoyed a luncheon together. Mme. Gould doubtless added to the prince's enjoyment by paying the check and tipping the waiter.

CONTROL OF THE HOUSE

The announced intention of the democrats to make a determined effort for control of the house at the coming election has led the Washington Transcript to analyze the congressional election figures for the purpose of showing the margins by which republican members now hold the majority and the changes that would be necessary to transfer the majority to the democrats.

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All our supreme court commissioners have just been re-appointed by the supreme judges for another year's service. If the pending constitutional amendment enlarging the supreme court is approved, as seems quite probable, the services of the supreme court commissioners may be dispensed with after January next. They will, therefore, do well not to count the present re-appointment as continuing longer than the end of the calendar year.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS

The retirement of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman as prime minister of the British empire and the elevation of Herbert Asquith to that exalted office transfers the center of political leadership from a Scotchman to an Englishman. In temperament, methods and ability the old and the new premier present contrasts as marked as their racial characteristics. Campbell-Bannerman is a genial, kind-hearted man, a "mixer" among men, sympathetic and generous, and at the same time intellectually vigorous and aggressive.

His kindly ways and his loyalty to party principles gave his leadership uncommon strength, and served to hold together the factions constituting the liberal party. With the exception of Mr. Morley he is the last of Gladstone liberals who fought and fell on the firing line of home rule, and has never wavered in his allegiance to the principle of self-government. Mr. Asquith is the opposite in temperament. He lacks the kindly, sympathetic ways of his predecessor. His disposition is that of the commander. But he possesses superior intellectual force, unsurpassed parliamentary skill, and varied experience, three attainments certain to be thoroughly tried out in maintaining party unity and supremacy in the House of Commons.

Henry Asquith is 56 years old, a native of Yorkshire. He won high honors in school and college, studied for the bar and received his "call" in 1881. Afterward he won the regard of Sir Charles Russell, then a leader of the English bar, became his junior, and later fully justified Sir Charles' good opinion by a remarkable showing as his assistant in the famous suit of Charles Stewart Parnell against the London Times. Entering Parliament in 1886, he had served only six years when he entered Gladstone's cabinet as home secretary. When the present liberal cabinet was formed Mr. Asquith was appointed chancellor of the exchequer, and when Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's health broke down the responsibilities of leadership fell to him.

Among his associates he is classed as a moderate liberal. He is not in sympathy with the radicals of his party, realizing that radicalism will avail little in the House of Lords. Yet many measures classed as radical have been introduced by the ministry and advocated by him. These include the old age pensions, the license bill and a bill for non-sectarian education. The two last named measures have aroused strong opposition in interested quarters, and are likely to prove the crucial test of party unity as well as the prime minister's ability as a leader.

The announcement of new German and Prussian loans aggregating \$52,000,000, focuses international interest on the financial condition of the German empire. The Prussian state loan is to meet the expense of expanding the land and naval measures in Poland, while the imperial loan is intended to take care of deficits in the naval expansion budget. The naval program inaugurated in 1906, with other incidental water power expenses, have already created a treasury deficit of \$5,000,000. Naval bills this year call for \$84,000,000 for every year up to and including 1917; the imperial government contemplates an average annual output of \$105,000,000 for the navy. In the last five years the imperial budget has been increased more than \$50,000,000, and in ten years past the imperial debt has grown from \$50,000,000 to over \$1,000,000,000. These figures clearly show the reasons for Germany's financial straits, and are absolutely barren of comfort to German taxpayers. For the present the latter are consoled with the statement that the per capita tax in Germany is only \$2.50, as compared with \$3.50 in Great Britain and Italy, and over \$6 in France. But with a ten-year naval program calling for \$105,000,000 a year, and corresponding increases in other directions, the disparity in Germany's tax rate will rapidly disappear.

The recent bye-election in the Peckham district of London, in which a former liberal majority of 2,500 was turned into a Tory majority of 3,500, was not the ideal expression of public sentiment asserted by its beneficiaries. It turns out to have been a sordid expression of the political power of the brewing interests of the kingdom, directed at the pending license bill introduced by the ministry. For many years past licenses have been issued under a system of contracts or "premises," the object being to restrict traffic. The premises thus selected soon acquired an increased value and took on the nature of a property right. This value increased as the brewing interests secured control of them, and later became part of the assets of the brewing companies, being capitalized as real property.

In 1904 the Bailfour ministry, in restricting the liquor traffic, conceded the property right in licenses then extinguished and agreed to compensation. This handicapped the liberal ministry was obliged to provide compensation. But the pending bill goes farther. It greatly increases the rate of extinguishment of licenses, and embodies the vital principle of the ultimate reversion of all licenses to the state after fourteen years. The Peckham election, it is thought, will raise this limit to twenty years. But as the fund for compensation is taxed against the remaining license holders, the term of years is unimportant. Drinkers pay the price. The result of the Peckham election was a direct slam at the liberal ministry for its activity in passing the restriction and extinguishment of liquor licenses as a property right.

POLITICAL DRIFT. By a majority of 2,900, Alton, Ill., declared for a stork mayor and a "wet" town.

A republican convention was held in Delaware recently, and the name of Adickes was not mentioned.

Judson Harman declines to be considered a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Ohio.

Balloon campaigning is the latest political scream of Mayor Sheride Becker of Milwaukee. Sher is an artist in blowing the foam.

Owing to the pernicious activity of democratic filibusters congress is obliged to pass by the question, "What does it cost to keep a horse?"

Boston's new mayor is making a great sensation in the town. He said he would economize if elected, and he has gone about it in a way that shows he was in earnest.

The Kansas City Star, having fought and lost in the city campaign, rubs the bumps on its editorial head with Charley Dana's June celebrated emollient: "We may be happy yet you bet."

If Governor Johnson should become president of the United States the town of St. Peter, Minn., where Johnson was born and raised, would, of course, become famous but even now it has a state reputation for being the incubator of noted men," said John Yancey, a real estate man of St. Paul, quoted by the Washington Post. "No less than four Minnesota's governors were born there. They were Swift, Austin, McGill and Johnson. St. Peter is a town of probably 2,500 people, and its only claim for distinction, aside from its having been the birthplace of famous men, lies in the fact that one of the state insane asylums is located there."

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Poor Rich Children

Two hundred thousand dollars is enough to "bring up" a little daughter of the rich. If it's a boy, it will cost more.

May K. Warwick takes up the case of these rich children, in the current issue of THE SATURDAY EVENING POST.

A wealthy Boston couple, put their two boys under the care of French bonnes and governesses. When the children reached the ages of eight and nine they were sent to a well-known school. They knew their mother-tongue so very little that they could not understand what their instructors were saying to them, and they actually did not know how to dress themselves. They had to be sent home; there was no place for them, even in a fashionable school.

Some of these children become cad and rakes, others attain beautiful ideals of courtesy, breeding and social grace, but they all lose something which a human being has a right to.

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With such publicity and such investigation of the proposed cure, the world soon knows whether or not the discovery, which Dr. Bertrand believes he will prove as valuable as he thinks it will prove. The outcome of the experiments may mean the saving of a multitude of lives.

Pneumonia is one of the most destructive of all diseases. It strikes down the strong and well as quickly as it does invalids. No period of life is exempt from its attacks, and although it is mainly a cold weather disease, it claims its victims every day of the year. In the United States pulmonary tuberculosis is the only other cause of death which equals the ravages of pneumonia, at least as far as adults are concerned.

This destroyer of human life has many of the characteristics of diseases such as smallpox and diphtheria, which have been almost wholly conquered. It runs its course without being affected much by ordinary remedies, and its onset is so sharp and violent, in many instances, that there can be little doubt of a specific germ infection.

It would seem, on general principles, that there is nothing unreasonable in seeking and expecting to discover a cure or preventive for pneumonia as sure and complete as anti-toxin has proved in the treatment of diphtheria.

If Dr. Bertrand or any other investigator can win this triumph for humanity he will deserve more than a Nobel prize and more than fame. His services will entitle him to the unending gratitude of mankind.

SAID IN FUN. Pork Packer (facetiously)—We belong in a way to the same business. We are both managers of stock companies.

Stage Manager (mournfully)—Yes, but you have live stock to handle.—Baltimore American.

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"Yes, but they did not think so much of his eccentricities till finally he got so bad that he tried to run the mower over his wife's lawn dress."—Baltimore American.

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