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THE BEE ON TRAINS. All railroad newsboys are supplied with enough Bee to accommodate every passenger.

INSIST ON HAVING THE BEE. The people of Omaha made no mistake when they sent Dave Mercer back to congress from this district.

THE DOUNDING THOMASSES are getting fewer and further between every day, as the exposition assumes more and more the aspect of magnificent success.

OMAHA can well afford to give the government the free use of one or a dozen warehouses if such action will insure the location of that supply depot.

THE GAUG OF COUNTERFEITERS just unearthed in Omaha, by dividing their product between gold and silver, seem to be on the fence as regards the currency question.

THE PROPOSITION to oust Councilmen-elect Barkley and Lobeck will not meet with general favor. Might does not make right, and a republican council is not a populist legislature.

THE INTEREST of the people of Omaha in the success of the Transmississippi Exposition is conclusively shown in the overwhelming vote cast in favor of the intersection paving bonds.

HAROLD M. SEWELL may be said to have secured the appointment to be minister to Hawaii in spite of the fact that his father played the part of left bowler to the popular kite in the last presidential campaign.

THAT INDIAN SUPPLY DEPOT is not to be had without an effort. But it is something worth trying for and no effort should be spared by Omaha business men to reinforce the work of their representatives in congress.

UNIVERSITY students have taken to sending messages of sympathy to the struggling Greeks. It will be only turn about for the Greeks to send messages to the struggling university students about the time examinations leave in sight.

NOBODY questions the ability of that legislative investigating committee to spend all the money that has been appropriated to defray the expenses of its inquiry. The only thing in question is whether the taxpayers will get a full value equivalent for their money.

THE REORGANIZATION of the senate committees, involving as it does the placing of the responsibility for the legislative work of the body, is of no little public importance. The reorganization of the senate employees, involving chiefly the question whether one or two more or less republicans or democrats shall be placed on the senate pay roll, does not affect the general public in any alarming extent.

THE ELECTION is over. If the editor of the World-Herald or Mr. Howell really want the proofs produced that Mr. Howell was an A. P. A. they can inform themselves as to the documentary evidence on which the charge is based by calling at the office of The Bee.

OUR PARKS and boulevards must, furthermore, be put in condition to be counted among the attractions for exposition visitors. Many people base their judgments of a city on the parks and public squares, and Omaha cannot afford to allow strangers to leave with a bad impression on this score.

WE HAVE SEVERAL PARKS that are beautiful by nature and well advanced in artificial landscaping that can be put in excellent condition with a small outlay of money. It should be our policy to develop these parks thoroughly rather than to make a poor attempt to cover too much ground. While the exposition

PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

A London dispatch states that the ambassadors of three of the powers believe the Greco-Turkish war will be over in three weeks. It may terminate even sooner than that, though the determined spirit still being manifested by the Greeks and the indications of trouble brewing for the Turks in other quarters, make it probable that the war will not end so soon as the ambassadors are said to believe.

THE ATTITUDE of Bulgaria is regarded as menacing, the insurgents in Macedonia are doing effective work against the Turk, and there are ominous signs elsewhere of a desire to go to the assistance of Greece. It is yet possible that the Balkan provinces will be drawn into the conflict. The progress of the war has not been altogether encouraging for the Greeks. What they have gained in Epirus is more than offset by what they have lost in Thessaly.

THEIR ABANDONMENT of Larissa, where preparations had been made for a great battle, is a discouraging circumstance and it is easy to understand the excitement and disquiet it is reported to have caused in Athens. If the Greeks could not hold Larissa after all the preparation that had been made for its defense, what hope have they of checking the Turkish invasion? It is said to be the plan of the successor of Edhem Pasha in the command of the Turkish forces to strengthen the army in Thessaly by uniting with it the forces in Epirus. With this increased army the Turks would probably have little difficulty in sweeping on to Athens, if it is their purpose to carry the invasion beyond Thessaly. Manifestly the situation as it now appears is most unfavorable for the Greeks. They are showing splendid courage and determination, but they are largely outnumbered and the Turkish soldiers are maintaining their reputation as fierce fighters.

IN THE MEANTIME the great powers are giving no indication of what they intend to do, if indeed there is any understanding between them regarding a policy for the settlement of the conflict. It appears to be the desire of the Russian government that there shall be no intervention unless one of the combatants asks for it, while the British government is understood to take the view that intervention may become necessary regardless of the wishes of the belligerents. It will probably rest with these two powers to determine what course shall be pursued, since they have very much greater interests involved than the other powers.

ONE THING seems to be well assured and that is the ultimate breaking up of the concert and the formation of new alliances. This is plainly foreshadowed and it is full of significance. Whether such a change in the relations of the powers as sagacious observers believe to be inevitable can be effected without a more or less serious rupture is a problem the solution of which must be left to time. The present concert, however, is not agreeable to some of the powers and these will probably take the first opportunity that offers to withdraw from it.

IMPROVEMENTS THAT MUST BE MADE. With the spring season already upon us the people of Omaha are admonished that they have no time to lose in planning and executing the various public improvements whose completion before the date set for the opening of the great Transmississippi Exposition is absolutely necessary.

FIRST and foremost among these improvements comes the paving and repaving of our public thoroughfares. Not only must the streets and avenues leading to the exposition grounds be put in first-class condition so as to make the exposition perfectly accessible to every kind of vehicle, but the principal thoroughfares in the business and residence portions of the city should be given a liberal amount of attention. Visitors to the exposition will want to see all the better parts of the city and they will be entitled to the use of well-paved streets. As under our system of paving and repaving the consent of the owners of the abutting property is required before the work can be contracted for or the taxes levied to pay it, the first step must be the preparation of the necessary petitions. Every property owner along streets that need paving or repaving should make it a matter of patriotism and civic pride to do all in his power to expedite these improvements.

ANOTHER MATTER that must be immediately taken up is the betterment and extension of our permanent sidewalks. A permanent sidewalk area has been designated by ordinance, but the ordinance has been most leniently enforced and there are comparatively few blocks in the city that are well provided for in this direction. The plank sidewalk should be a thing of the past except in the remoter suburban districts, and while brick may be tolerated on residence streets that are little used by pedestrians, the main thoroughfares should be finished on both sides with continuous lines of natural or artificial stone sidewalks. The effect of good pavements and attractive buildings can be easily spoiled by wretched sidewalks or no sidewalks at all.

OUR SEWER SYSTEM will also have to be extended, if not enlarged. While Omaha's sewers are of all intents and purposes practically sufficient for present needs, they will be taxed to a much greater extent during the coming few years. The extensions will have to be made chiefly in the vicinity of the exposition grounds, where one or two new mains will be needed and connections built with many buildings in that part of town.

WHETHER COMMITTED by desperadoes or cranks, the attempted cutting of the levees in the southern flood districts calls for the utmost vigilance on the part of the people who are guarding the river banks and the narrowest point of the offenders when approached and identified. Any one who would wantonly endanger the lives and property of hundreds of families already sore pressed can have little claim to lenient treatment from the authorities.

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JOY OVER THE OMAHA ELECTION.

HASTINGS TRIBUNE (rep.): Omaha's right side didn't do a thing but elect almost every man on the republican ticket. Hurrah for Omaha and the Bee.

CENTRAL CITY DEMOCRAT: We intended to have written an editorial on the Omaha election, but we concluded not to do so. The blundered old town went republican.

LINCOLN CALL (rep.): The republicans of Lincoln should appreciate the Bee in its fight for republican supremacy under the populist charter. The Bee went the victory.

FRIEND TELEGRAPH (rep.): Moore was elected mayor of Omaha despite the demagogic free silver campaign of Frank Moore, who combined promised great chunks of reform, but promises coming from this source are like water on a log, and the people have no faith in them.

YORK TIMES (rep.): Again the popocratic combination has been rebuffed. The city of Omaha for republican supremacy under the populist charter. The Bee went the victory.

REPUBLICAN ARGUMENT (rep.): The republicans carried Omaha on Tuesday's election. The governor should immediately call an extra session of the legislature to meet on Monday. The republicans should go in and expel the entire plutocrat after the populists had so carefully prepared the feast with their populist charter is an outrage that should not go unrebuked.

BEAVER CITY TRIBUNE (rep.): Although the republican candidate for mayor of Omaha had the combined forces of the populists, free silver republicans, populists, and gamblers arrayed against him, he was elected Tuesday by a small majority. It means a great victory for the republican party. The victory is therefore all the sweeter and more glorious.

KEARNEY SUN (rep.): The election of Moore as mayor of Omaha and the entire city ticket is quite a victory for the republicans and may be taken as an indication of the sentiment existing in all parts of the state that Nebraska has had quite enough of populist supremacy. Populism thoroughly tried, and it is a good thing that the people who tried it, not only in Nebraska, but in every state.

PREMONT TRIBUNE (rep.): The election in Omaha was a triumph for the republicans. The bottom of the ticket, with the exception of two aldermen out of the nine. The contest for mayor was a neck-and-neck race, Moore, republican, winning by a narrow margin of 200. The republicans won out handsomely against the combination of all political isms and the city government.

CHICAGO NEWS: Unquestionably he was an expert in all the parts of the American politician, he thoroughly understood human nature and he was a fair stout speaker. But other men, without his reputation for integrity, have been his equals in politics and have failed. He followed closely the precedent laid down by Mr. Lincoln, when he advised one to "keep very close to the people." This Mr. Holman did in a public career covering almost the entire period of fifty-four years and it rarely failed him.

DETROIT FREE PRESS: His taking off is a positive loss to the nation, for it is impossible to think at this time of the name of one member of the lower house who has courage and strong sense of duty to stand in his place, and to the best of his ability balk every tainted bid or extravagant appropriation. It requires a sturdy and unflinching spirit in a man who is willing to suffer unpopularity, if not ostracism—to thus represent the whole people as against a thousand and one selfish local or personal schemes of legislation and expenditure.

ST. PAUL GLOBE: He was the terror of all the numerous class of jobbers who cultivate the masses and free silver republicans. He was a closing session, try to crowd them through in the melee of bills that was then, when a single objection would be fatal, that Holman, the faithful, who had been keeping watch on the schemes, would rise and interpose the fatal objection. He was the man who did these jobs that he antagonized. He set himself in opposition to every extravagant use of public money, and numerous times he was beaten. Sometimes the house "turned him down," but never discouraged or disheartened, he stood by his self-appointed post. He was a man of great character. Such a character is not a popular one.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE. The library of the late secretary of the treasury, John G. Carlisle, has been purchased by his widow to the free library of Winona, Minn.

LIEUTENANT TOTEN says that he predicted the present anti-republican tide in the state of Ohio in the bible, and he adds that the two crucial days of the conflict will be June 22 and September 23.

IN THIS COUNTRY there have prevailed many a man from marrying, and in Persia the hard times have caused the shah to reduce his line of wives to sixty-three.

HON. S. F. SMITH, recently elected mayor of Lawrence, Mo., is the eldest son of the late Dr. S. F. Smith, the author of "America." He has for many years been a distinguished lawyer in New York City at the age of 68, was one of the best known negro impersonators in the country. His greatest success was in San Francisco during the gold fever days, where for ten years the yearly profits of his company averaged \$50,000.

MAKING BOOZE IN IOWA.

DAVENPORT REPUBLICAN: The best thing about the manufacturing bill is that it takes the liquor question out of politics, and that is what it pinches the democrats where they were obliged to line up and vote for it against their will.

DUBUQUE TIMES: Now for the first time in fifty years will it be legal to manufacture whisky in Iowa. The original prohibitory law, which was a democratic measure, was

WALHON WASP (rep.): By the election of the republican ticket in Omaha and Lincoln a well merited rebuke was administered to the late populist legislature. In its zeal to further the cause of the populists it had passed a law which would have put the better element of those cities did not want and the fact that both cities elected republican officials shows that the people did not approve of the conduct of that outfit.

NORFOLK JOURNAL (rep.): In the face of the combined opposition of the democrats, populists and free silver republicans, the republicans of Omaha won a notable victory on Tuesday. Colonel Frank E. Moore was elected mayor by a majority and the balance of the republican ticket, except two councilmen, went in by about the same vote. The fusionists thought the new charter they had proposed would give them the state and show the republicans are in good fighting trim.

NIOBRAVA TRIBUNE (rep.): The popocratic ticket in Omaha, headed by the World-Herald, turned out their searchlight and the result was a sweeping republican victory, headed by the gallant Frank E. Moore. The populists and fusionists saved the councilmen out of nine, and one of them was Lobeck, who sneaked in with a narrow margin. The result was a triumph for a good majority, while all the republican councilmen, excepting two, which the populists and fusionists got, were elected by a good majority, while all the republican councilmen, excepting two, which the populists and fusionists got, were elected by a good majority, while all the republican councilmen, excepting two, which the populists and fusionists got, were elected by a good majority.

STERLING EAGLE (rep.): On Tuesday an election was held at Omaha under the new charter passed by the last legislature. A bitter fight was waged by the supporters of the two tickets. The election was headed by Colonel Frank E. Moore for mayor, was elected, with possibly two exceptions, the republican ticket. The fusionists championed by the Omaha Bee, while the World-Herald supported the fusionist ticket just as hard as it knew how. The victory was a great one for the Bee, considering the circumstances.

BLAIR PILOT (rep.): The election of Frank E. Moore to the office of mayor of Omaha and the entire city ticket, headed by Moore, was an element in Omaha except the out-and-out republicans, which included the populists, independent, silver republicans, gamblers, thugs, bums and by petition. In the face of all these odds Moore has won out in a victory as large in proportion to the vote cast as that given the republican candidate for governor last fall. The victory in Omaha is one that gives credit and joy to the taxpayers and business men.

BEATRICE DEMOCRAT (dem.): The republicans carried the municipal election in Omaha on Tuesday and elected Frank E. Moore as mayor and the entire ticket, except two councilmen. The election was held under the new charter that was intended to place the fusionist game in the hands of the charge of the political machinery of the metropolis. It was expected that Howell, who represented the gamblers and touch, would rise into office as the fusionist candidate at Chicago, but the people concluded that there should be some restraint placed upon the tough element during the exposition period. It isn't likely that the populists point to Omaha as a straw showing the direction of the political wind in Nebraska.

PENDER REPUBLIC (rep.): Hon. Frank E. Moore, republican, was on Tuesday elected mayor of Omaha over Senator Howell, the fusion candidate, on a very close vote. The republicans also elected all the other city officers and seven out of nine councilmen, which places the complete control of municipal affairs for the next three years, entirely in their hands. The Howell supporters made a very desperate fight, and were assisted by the gamblers and lower elements of the city, but the superb fight which the Bee waged against this combine assisted by such men as Judge Keyser and Judge Fox cut the others of equal prominence in the city won the fight for the candidate representing the better class of society and who are good government with Crete and Grecco, notwithstanding his position.

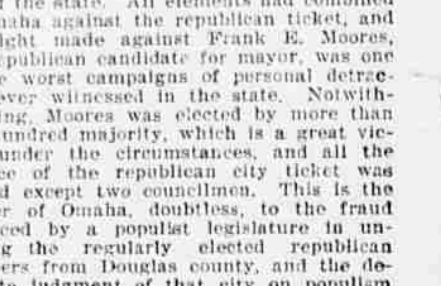
A PLAIN TALE.

is best—Here it is in black and white—it relates to the best possible clothing that can be made—In inviting you to examine our new lines of suits for this Spring, we do so in the firm confidence that whatever claims we have made are fully justified by the garments themselves—

A S MANUFACTURERS we stake everything upon the perfection of our work and materials—

This Spring's offerings are far in advance of anything that we have ever put on the market before—We only wish that all clothing buyers were expert judges of clothes—

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