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PARTIES LEAVING FOR THE SUMMER: Parties leaving the city for the summer can have The Bee sent to them regularly by notifying The Bee business office in person or by mail.

This is a republican year, but republicans should not forget that the Lord helps those who help themselves.

With the temperature ranging in the nineties it is scarcely necessary for us to admonish local politicians to keep cool.

Oil Inspector Edmisten is to have charge of the popular legislative campaign. That is where the oil is most needed.

General Merritt may go to Paris, but with Admiral Dewey at Manila there is no danger from Aguinaldo or any other belligerent.

Peace jubilee projects are springing up all around, but Omaha has the first claim to the plan and Omaha's celebration will overtop them all.

The exposition is now so far on the road to success that it cannot be harmed a particle by the exposure of any fraudulent work on the part of crooked employees.

By the end of September, its fourth month, Omaha's exposition will have registered more admissions than Nashville had when it closed at the end of six months.

The peace jubilee will give Omaha a chance to outdo itself once more in the matter of artistic decorations and unique illuminations, in which it has already made a great reputation.

If the exposition had done nothing more than to advertise to all the world the indomitable pluck and irresistible enterprise of Omaha, it would be a paying investment to our citizens and business men.

American farmers will learn with supreme satisfaction that the visible wheat supply of the world is short and foreshadows a rise in prices rather than a decline that usually follows the harvest.

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland is going to celebrate her coronation the coming week. Wilhelmina should have waited till after October and first gotten a few tips on the coronation business from our own Ak-Sar-Ben.

Russia is reputed the nation of Europe nearest the medieval absolutism. Yet Russia, to the surprise of all, takes the initiative for a universal peace conference. History still produces occasional paradoxes.

The war with Spain will not be able to rank in history as a great military contest unless it leaves to congress a legacy of private bill legislation that will keep it busy on war claims for a whole generation.

The 25-cent admission at the exposition for Sunday afternoon has vindicated itself at the first opportunity. The city is that the order was not made promptly when the question first came before the board of directors.

The czar must have had assurances of favorable disposition on the part of the European rulers to his plan for a peace conference or he would not have gone so far as to issue publicly the invitation. The acceptances should, therefore, come in without much delay.

The pass inspector says he has ordered taken up and cancelled a number of exhibition passes fraudulently secured through exhibitors and concessionaires. But these passes could hardly have been issued without connivance of exposition officers or employees. What is the exposition management going to do about this feature of the pass frauds?

RUSSIA WANTS LASTING PEACE.

The proposal of an international conference of European powers with a view to the maintenance of peace and a reduction of armaments, submitted by the Russian minister of foreign affairs by command of the emperor to the foreign diplomats at St. Petersburg, will command the serious attention of the civilized world.

It is in its presentation of the matter the Russian note is most convincing and persuasive. There is no question of the desirability of relieving the crushing burden imposed upon the people of the leading nations of Europe in maintaining vast armaments.

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Weeks ago it was given out that a general reduction of railroad fares to the exposition would be inaugurated at least not later than September 1. That date is upon us, but the promised reduction of long distance rates, which alone will bring visitors from the east and enable the exposition to carry out the object of its promoters to interest eastern investors in the undeveloped resources of the prolific region west of the Mississippi, is not yet in sight.

The reductions that have been announced for September apply only to three or four traffic points within a range of 500 miles from Omaha. They are to be in effect only on given days, so that people residing beyond that distance are compelled to pay full fare from their homes to Chicago or St. Louis and time their trips to connect with the dates for which reduced rates are announced.

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THE DEMAND OF THE HOUR.

Three months out of the five months of the exposition season will be over this week. The concessions so far made by the railroads in the reduction of rates have been limited to territory within 250 miles of Omaha.

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ECHOES OF THE WAR.

During his visit to Washington last week Admiral Schley recalled a conversation had with a captured Spanish colonel near Santiago. The colonel expressed the hope that the Americans would not have the same experience with the Cubans as allies as the Spaniards had with them as enemies.

General Blanco says the insurgents "have never been grateful to Spain for its efforts in their behalf." Once in a while General Blanco manages to secure a firm grip on an everlasting truth.

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FROM WAR TO PEACE.

The Transition from Battle Army to Peaceful Pursuits. Philadelphia Times. As a nation we don't go to war often, we are never prepared for war when it is thrust upon us or we bring it on ourselves; we get ready for war when we must in a hurry, we fight it to a finish as quickly as possible, then dismantle our army, disband our army and live on a peace footing until the next war compels us to turn soldiers and sailors again on twenty-four hours' notice.

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LIGHT AND BRIGHT.

Somerville Journal: "Long live to you!" said the insurance agent, as he handed over the policy he had just written for \$5,000. Chicago Tribune: "How did you manage to get such an extensive manufacturing plant in your town?" asked the visitor. "Well, we rooted for it," replied the native.

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OUR DAILY BULLETIN.

HAVANA Aug. 30, 1898.—This is a great day for Cuba. The Spanish flag is hoisted down forever, and the island with its capital is turned over to the Americans by the surrendering Spanish authorities. At last Old Glory waves over an emancipated land.

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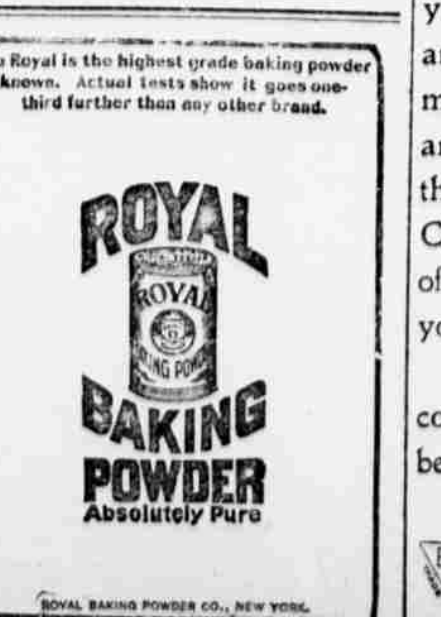
At Last

We have been successful in securing some more soft comfortable negligee shirts. The demand of late has been greater than we could supply. Our large assortment was reduced to less than one dozen. But today, thanks to the energy of our New York buyer of this department, we have plenty now to show you, in all sizes from 14 to 17, and very desirable styles, fine madras and oxford cloths. They are the celebrated "Star" shirts, that have always sold for \$1.50. Close buying has enabled us to offer these high grade shirts to you at \$1.00 each.

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