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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 exhibition 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.

Russia is pursuing a policy in China which seems to threaten European peace, it will not be surprising if the proposal should be regarded in some quarters with distrust. For some time Russian diplomacy in Asia has been very aggressive and in increasing the navy and strengthening the army there has appeared to be an expectation on the part of that government that the long era of European peace was nearing its close.

It is impossible to doubt that the people of all these countries would be materially benefited if a part of the money they annually pay for the support of great naval and military establishments were applied to national development and the production of those things which contribute to the comfort and happiness of a people.

It is a most significant move and a most remarkable deliverance to come from a despotic government which has always relied upon force. That Russia should take the initiative in an effort to promote durable peace by international compact and propose to put an end to the progressive building up of armies and navies, moved thereto by the highest considerations affecting the interests of humanity and civilization, is a circumstance of epochal importance.

It is for the traffic managers of the roads centering in Omaha to press the claims of the exposition with their connecting lines and if possible to force the reductions on long distance travel within the next ten days. The announcement of reduced rates to Omaha will within itself insure for the roads all the passengers they can handle from now to the closing of the exposition gates.

MORE BIDS FOR ANNEXATION.

The territorial expansionists are likely to have their appetite whetted by an appeal from the British West India islands to be annexed to the United States. The Jamaica sugar planters are reported to be anxious to sever their allegiance to the union jack and come under the stars and stripes and as the planters of the other islands are in an equally precarious condition it is to be presumed that they also would be glad to become American citizens, with the privilege of a free market for their sugar.

Of course we do not want these islands. They could be of no possible benefit to us. Besides England might object, though possibly she would be glad to be rid of them. But there are just as good reasons for absorbing Jamaica as there were for annexing Hawaii.

CANADA WANTS TARIFF FAVORS.

An obstacle to a reciprocity agreement between Canada and the United States, as has been frequently pointed out, is the desire of the former for large concessions on agricultural products. The only object of the Canadians in seeking reciprocity is to secure more of the American market for the products of the soil. They will urge this upon the joint commission, the American members of which, at their meeting last Friday, agreed to seek the views of leading agriculturists in the United States and particularly of farmers' organizations as to what would be the effect of reductions in the rates now imposed on agricultural products.

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They have not forgotten the injury they suffered from this competition under the Wilson tariff and will vigorously resist all efforts to restore those rates.

For people interested in the war a visit to the Omaha exposition will be more satisfactory than a visit to Cuba. Between the war relics, the models of the navy's men-of-war, the war balloon and all the other war features, the exposition offers a war display that cannot be beaten anywhere.

Senator Davis wants the American navy maintained as large as that of any nation on the face of the earth. But who is to pay the bill? And what is the use of increasing the navy when all the world is talking universal peace and disarmament?

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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.

Eminent statesmen who have failed to catch on to the Paris peace commission will be grateful to learn that an international peace conference is about to be called by the czar.

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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.

The indications of this have been multiplied. Our soldiers are being brought to northern camps to enable them to recover from fevers and malaria contracted in service, and recruit in health before being finally mustered out.

Romance and pathos are tenderly united in the untimely death of William Tiffany of New York, a gallant member of Roosevelt's Rough Riders.

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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.

Indianapolis Journal: "Speaking of next week's election," said the learned Philosopher, "that is one instance where a man is bound to stay and see the thing out."

Cincinnati Enquirer: Wallace-I notice you always say "One name," when asked to drink. Why is it?

Detroit Free Press: "Reputation is a good deal like a linen suit."

Chicago Post: "What is firmness, father?" "Firmness, my boy, is obstinacy in our belief."

Philadelphia North American: Bughouse Bill-The bicycle mail rider of Terror Island is a good fellow."

Philadelphia North American: "I'm not surprised that Spain doesn't want her prisoners sent back."

Detroit Free Press: "They say that Mrs. Bondy throws on a great deal of agony when she is suddenly rich."

Washington Star: "What did Colonel Stibbel say about the branded potatoes we sent to their convalescence?"

Cleveland Plain Dealer: Admiral-And how is Captain Evans this morning, surgeon?"

Detroit Journal: "Let us on!" cried the army, impatiently.

Got There at Last. Denver Post. The old maid of the dance, sought for a quiet seat.

Where she could cool her freckled face and rest her weary bones.

With looks of emphasis, upon a gentleman's silk hat.

She quickly rose and viewed the wreck, felt half inclined to faint.

Her features trying hard to blush through quite a coat of paint.

Who glances filled with wild amazement, she had not yet thought up any program.

Looks of astonishment that she had made a dash at last.

THE VOLUNTEERS. Our volunteers, our volunteers, will soon be mustered out.

With guns a-stalk, in bivouac, they long have lived in doubt.

They board the train for home again, a smile on every lip.

Nebraska land, Nebraska land, they sing along the trip.

They come, they're near; they come, they're here.

TUESDAY AUG. 30

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.

Only a nurse! you say? Yes, and it is a noble profession, one regarded as embodying mental service, but now undervalued to high dignity by the refined and cultivated women who choose it.

At the front, under a burning tropical sun and torrential tropical rains and in fertile atmosphere, at the hospitals at home, in southern camps, whether in shells or bullets struck down the nation's defenders, the gentle ministrations of woman have cheered the fainting hearts and lightened the darkness brooding down on the vision of the dying.

It looks as though Admiral Dewey would be the only fighter who will not be called upon to explain something. It's a wise man who knows enough to cut his cable.

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