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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION. State of Nebraska, Douglas County, ss. I, George B. Tschuck, secretary of the Bee Publishing Company...

Table with 2 columns: Date (Feb 1-14) and Circulation figures (e.g., 24,300, 24,400, 24,490).

Net total sales, 609,308. Net daily average, 24,870. GEORGE B. TSCHUCK, Secretary.

Judging from the testimony in the Subborough trial the Pacific express business was run strictly on political lines.

Republicans in the legislature should not forget that they are pledged to enact revenue reform by the platform upon which they were elected.

What does the Douglas delegation to the legislature propose to do about making the clerk of the district court a salaried officer? Don't all speak at once.

The name of the State Institute for the Deaf and Dumb is to be changed by legislative act. Why the legislature should waste time to make the proposed change passes comprehension.

The yellow journals have another morsel of discontent to dish up against the military authorities in Cuba which cannot meet served out in Cuba was horseflesh imported from Europe.

General Joseph Wheeler is hunting for a fight and if he is not sent to Manila he says he will go back to congress, which, on the whole, ought to furnish rows enough to satisfy a man of his age.

The dead man located under the sand of Platte river by the "medium" at Ithaca has turned up at Chicago, but of course this does not militate against the trustworthiness of mediums, for he might have been there.

The organ of the Herdman gang has fired four columns of double-leaded and double-shot editorial fusillade to demolish the Nebraska supreme court decision in the Broatch-Moore case.

A Tennessee lawyer has tried a case eight miles away by telephone. His speech was necessarily short, but he won. Should the precedent serve to increase this kind of practice jurors and courts will regard the telephone as a genuine agent of a needed reform.

Judge Sullivan's dissent in the Broatch-Moore case cites the decision of the Nebraska supreme court in the Boyd-Thayer case as a precedent, but inasmuch as the decision was reversed by the supreme court of the United States the dissent appears to be resting on a sandy foundation.

The lower house of the legislature has passed some commendable bills, but most of these measures are threatened with burial in the senate, which in this session, as in nearly every other session, will prove the graveyard of nearly all legislation that does not meet the approval of the corporation lobby.

When the cruiser Bennington was sent to take possession of Guam it was done by putting up a marble slab with a notice inscribed on it that Uncle Sam owned the country and for everybody to keep off the grass. This would have been a capital way to assert sovereignty over the rest of our islands, not to mention the men and money that would have been saved.

It is commonly reported that over \$10,000 was distributed two years ago among the fusion reformers to prevent the fusion legislature from making the office of clerk of the district court for Douglas county a salaried office.

The dispatches from Manila to the effect that the inhabitants of Mindanao and the sultan of the Sulu archipelago are friendly to American occupation is rather a significant fact. The people of these islands are Mohammedans and from a spiritual standpoint are subjects of the sultan of Turkey.

DEBTING PROSPERITY. The man who asserts that there is no prosperity in the United States invites doubt as to either his sanity or his honesty. The evidence of prosperity is on every hand.

The farmers of the country as a whole are in better financial condition than for many years. Many of them are free of debt and many others are nearly so.

Look where one will the proofs of prosperity are clear and convincing and it is a gratifying fact that all the conditions are favorable to its continuance for several years.

Private letters of public officers. Considerable talk is being indulged in connection with the legislative investigating committee about the turning over by the state auditor of his private correspondence to the members of the committee.

The death of Congressman William L. Greene creates a vacancy in the representation from Nebraska that will from now on become a source of contention in the Sixth congressional district.

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disbandment of the Cuban army, nor will this government endorse any plan of the military assembly for raising more money to pay the soldiers, with out which they probably could not obtain a cent.

It is an unfortunate situation, which may require drastic treatment. It has been reported that General Brooke will pay no attention to any action on the part of the military assembly, but this will not prevent the assembly from exerting a mischievous influence upon those it represents.

The limit on iron and steel production under existing conditions in this country must be almost reached. Reports indicate that practically every pound of ore mined now opened can produce has been contracted for and until productive capacity in this line can be enlarged manufacturers cannot increase their output.

At the beginning of the war it was stated that 30,000 soldiers could be gathered on the north coast of the island and that General Gomez had under him 10,000 more.

General Gomez has reported the Cuban army at 47,500, but the muster rolls so far produced do not show over 20,000 and it is even uncertain whether all of those ever saw service.

Captain Higginson, who commanded the battleship Massachusetts, during the late war with Spain, deserves a special medal for modesty and good sense if for no other reason.

The capital stock of trust companies formed this year and last represents on its face value of \$2,000,000. Everything is going into combines, from a shirt stud to a locomotive.

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know the emergency had arisen until after it was all over. In the interval Webster will as heretofore continue to look for his main support from the popoeratic organ.

Owing to a divergence of opinion among members of the Omaha clearing house Omaha clearings for the present week show a decrease of 21 per cent as compared with the same period of 1898.

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Claims for damages done to American citizens during the Cuban insurrection to the amount of \$30,000,000 have been filed with the State department. Under the Paris treaty the United States assumes these obligations.

Paralysis of the Thorax. No. 24, Tribune. Wages go up, up, up without demand, and the "calamity howlers" are speechless.

Wages Economy is Needed. St. Paul Pioneer Press. Spain has begun to economize by cutting off the pensions of its former ministers.

Lawyer's Characteristic. Philadelphia Times. Ambassador Choate is making nice speeches on the other shore of the ocean.

Magnophones Silenced. Louisville Courier-Journal. On March 4 15,400 workers in the cotton and steel mills of New England and Pennsylvania received an advance of wages.

Demand for American Horses. Globe-Democrat. Last year the United States imported 2,236 horses worth \$200,000, and exported over 51,000 horses worth \$6,000,000.

Trouble Brewing at Home. Indianapolis News. The capital stock of trust companies formed this year and last represents on its face value of \$2,000,000.

Distributing the Coin. Springfield Republican. The last government transport to sail from San Francisco to Manila will carry \$1,500,000 in coin of the realm for the pay of the soldiers in the Philippines.

Store Order Inquiry. Philadelphia Record. By a unanimous vote the New Jersey assembly has passed a bill to destroy the nefarious store order system.

Reform by the Jacksonian Route. Western Laborer. Poor Tom Cooley has our sincere sympathy in his misfortune, as we believe him to be an honest man in a most unenviable position.

Webster as a False Patriot. His Self-Laundry Declaration Marks Him as an Ardent Demagogue. Grand Island Independent.

John L. Webster sent to the last republican caucus a speech in which he praised himself highly. We do not feel that Mr. Webster has any right to characterize his action in this stubborn fight for the position of United States senator as the outgrowth of patriotic spirit.

PROSSER SATISFIED WITH HAYWARD. Prosser Republic (rep.) Judge Hayward's election is a most happy one for the party in the state.

Battle Creek Republican: The republican legislators parleyed a long time over the election of United States senator, but in the end they did the right thing.

Columbus Times (rep.): Hayward the man! The stubborn, long-drawn and warmly contested senatorial fight is over.

Kimball Observer (rep.): Judge Hayward was the choice of the rank and file of the party all over the state and was the leading candidate all through the struggle.

Pawnee Republican: The election of M. L. Hayward will more nearly represent the entire portion of the republican party of the state than probably that of any other man.

St. Louis Leader (rep.): At the joint session of the legislature on Wednesday M. L. Hayward was elected United States senator, receiving seventy-four republican votes.

St. Paul Pioneer Press: The choice of Judge Hayward is more than gratifying to the republicans hereabouts. As the historian remarked some time ago, he was easily the choice of nine-tenths of the republicans of the county.

Stanton Picket (rep.): The election of Judge Hayward as senator was the only practical termination of a long drawn and earnest, if not a really bitter, contest.

St. Louis Leader: The election of Judge Hayward United States senator by the Nebraska legislature gives great satisfaction throughout the state to all.

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THE CUBAN SITUATION. Washington Star: The situation in Cuba, while far from satisfactory, need not cause any particular disquiet.

Indianapolis News: It seems to us that the Cuban record is distinctly creditable both to the American authorities and the people of Cuba.

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THE AFRICAN IN THE WOODPILE. Real Reason for the World-Herald's Sudden Change Toward Cornell.

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Browning-King & Co. The white man's burden is the winter overcoat. One can't venture to go without some extra clothing, but his heavy overcoat seems to gain ten pounds in weight...