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WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. It is better than a daily letter from home. Address will be changed as often as requested.

Make way for the Ak-Sar-Ben pa-

That man who stole securities from Wall street brokers made the mistake of not organizing a syndicate to handle the deal.

"too much Hyde," but other men before regardless of state lines. the committee are certain it is now a case of too much seek.

pleased than formerly to think the war in the far east is at an end.

and the congressional junketeers that they were not caught in the typhoon on their homeward-bound trip.

Now that the president has returned to Washington it will be interesting to see how much harder he works at the White House than at Sagamore Hill.

The socialistic members of the Reichsrath are evidently resolved that Vienna shall have an excuse for not quelling the disturbances at Budapest.

That Chicago judge who quoted the message of President Roosevelt to sustain his ruling in the packers' case knew what was necessary to make his opinion popular.

state, but it will be uphill work to get an appropriation from congress in the face of a two-million-a-month deficit.

The people of the United States never tive was exercised more frequently by presidents of life insurance companies than by the presidents of the United States.

Atlantic.

mit Sherlock Holmes take up the are having brought home to them with emergency. mystery of the murder in a railway train, but he might consent if the propo- character and reputation. "Of late we sition was made in the usual serial have been watching reputations melt world. It will be regarded as a phase syndicate form.

Nebraska has paid itto the government irrigation fund over \$120,000 through the sale of lands, but the heavy crops in the "semi-arid" region will still have to be attributed to Providence rather than to Uncle Sam's reclamation

Belva Lockwood, champion woman suffragist, has hurled a few brickbats at Grover Cleveland, but we doubt very much whether Belva's vociferous remarks will ever reach Grover's auricular apparatus.

One man who borrowed state money from the former auditor of Indiana is have substituted the penal code for the with Great Britain. Japan will keep champion of the Nicaraguan canal. making arrangements to return it to the state treasurer, Mr. Sherrick may have to work for a living after he gets out of his trouble.

No sooner had Secretary Wilson issued his forecast of lower prices for all earnestness direct public attention to food products when Walter Wellman that lack of moral principle which China becoming a military power, but launches forth an outery that the high makes possible the faults Dr. Butler its effect will be to better assure the who have been spending their surplus of honor and responsibility cannot fail upon the territory of the Chinese emat the summer resorts should be the to have a remedial effect, but the public pire. Had China possessed a large and Manifestly the last legislature expected loudest complainants.

ROCK-ROOTED OLNEY.

Richard Olney, former attorney general and secretary of state in the cabinet of Grover Cleveland, is the typical representative of rock-rooted democracy that cannot be moved from its ancient moorings and refuses to adjust itself to twentieth century conditions. Mr. Olney is an able jurist, trained in the straight-laced, state rights school, who, like the Rev. Jasper, refuses to believe that "the earth do move."

While admitting that "the railroads are the arteries of commerce, that determine very largely the outcome of all private enterprises and upon which hinges too often the material well-being, If not the very existence of towns, cities, seaports and large sections of country," Mr. Olney plants himself squarely in opposition to supervision and regulation of railroads by the national legislature. He asserts that the railroads are private property and do not come within the scope and jurisdiction of rate regulation by congress or by any administrative body created by congress.

"The railroad," declares Mr. Olney, "is only one species of highways, and what is true of railways must be true of ordinary highways. The jurisdiction of the national government must be the same in both cases." This is eminently sound logic and a retrospective glance should convince Mr. Olney that the power of rate making on highways has been exercised by municipal, state and national legislatures since the days of Washington and Jefferson.

Mr. Olney cannot be ignorant of the fact that in the District of Columbia congress has for nearly a century exercised the rate making power for all vehicles used for hire that traverse the public highways and streets of the national capital. If congress has the right either to fix directly the rates for the conveyance of passengers and freight in Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 30 day of September, 1996.

(Seal) M. B. HUNGATE. of September, 1946.
M. B. HUNGATE.
Notary Public. the streets of Washington, or indirectly to have the rates established through the Board of District Commissioners, that have for years governed the city of Washington, why has it not also the right to establish reasonable transportation rates over railroads in pursuance of the power vested in it to regulate commerce between the states?

But Mr. Olney brushes aside all precedent and turns his face against the irre sistible march of progress by pointing backward to the exploded state rights doctrine that would subdivide the railroad systems of America and establish terminals at every state line, although every railroad in the country is linked to every other railroad, and every station agent will sell tickets and bill Jacob Schiff says it was a case of freight to any other station in America

Mr. Olney's rock-rooted proclivities are most forcibly exhibited in the following summary of conclusions on the With a British warship off the coast rate making power: "Ours is a governof Turkey, Russia is probably better ment by both state and nation by political parties, and to political rate making for rallroads-rate making by politicians animated by partisan motives It was very lucky for Secretary Taft and working for partisan ends-the obnomic and business character are on the score of public policy generally as obvious as they should prove insuperable."

them by common carriers? Are we to new levies. permit these carriers to play the part of | This movement on the part of China Kansas is talking of a world's fair to of patrons and other communities just of the war. When that conflict came celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the because the law makers and executive China was in an utterly helpless conrealized before that the royal preroga- merce and effecting exchanges, but the pose she is assured of the support of very suggestion repels the idea.

> THE BUILDING OF CHARACTER. severe emphasis the distinction between

of the conditions referred to by the tial in doing this and it is quite within the sphere of their duty as instructors.

CITE SALARIES IN GREAT BRITAIN. Invidious comparisons are frequently made in this country between the efficient, economic and incorruptible administration of municipal government in Great Britain and the fast and loose, inefficient and corruption-ridden administrations of American cities. But all is not gold that glitters and the popular outcry against municipal extravagance and graft is by no means confined to American population centers.

Only four weeks ago a mass meeting of taxpayers was held in Edinburgh, Scotland, to oppose and denounce a salary grab by the city council and a proposed increase of salaries of city officials. Some of the speeches made at this popular demonstration against municipal misgovernment are duplicates of speeches periodically made in American

One of the speakers, for example, declared that there was a great and growing expenditure in the city and for that matter in the country; that the amounts of taxes levied for gas, water, electricity, tramways and so on had come to be exceedingly serious, and the people were cautioned not to be overborne by officialdom.

Another speaker said in seconding the resolution protesting against the salary grab that thousands of taxpayers of Edinburgh were in many cases seriously affected by the high rates, and he thought his audience would agree with him when he said that the town council rusal of the announcements in the adof Edinburgh had not the slightest idea of economy. In support of this assertion the speaker quoted the increased salary list as follows: Chief constable, or chief of police, from \$4,250 a year to \$5,000; deputy chief constable, from \$1,750 to \$2,000 a year; clerk of police, from \$2,500 to \$3,000; city chamberlain (comptroller), from \$5,000 to \$6,250 a

As a counter comparison it was stated that the city of Manchester, with a population of about 625,000 and a municipal debt of \$112,500,000, pays the city audior \$5,000 per annum; Liverpool, 710,000 its auditor \$8,750; Birmingham, with 500,000 population and \$75,000,000 of debt, pays \$5,000; Sheffield, with a population of 433,000 and \$42,500,000 debt, pays \$4,250; Glasgow, 782,000 population and \$80,000,000 of debt, pays \$6,500. while Edinburgh, with 333,000 population and \$20,000,000 of debt, pays \$5,000.

When it is borne in mind that the purchasing power of money is fully 30 per cent greater in England than in America, these municipal salaries would seem very rare exceptions.

TO BECOME A MILITARY POWER.

Already the Chinese government is What arrant nonsense! In the very taking steps to become a military power. nature of things ours is a government A standing army is to be created and that has always exercised its functions its organization will be modeled upon through men affiliated with political that of the Japanese army. It is stated parties, and this condition is sure to that the young Chinese officers who, continue as long as the republic sur- having completed their military studies vives. Are we, therefore, forever pre- in Japan, lately returned to China, are, vented from using the machinery of gov- with the Japanese instructors placed ernment for the protection of its citizens at the disposal of the Chinese governagainst excessive taxation imposed upon ment, busy organizing and training the

Providence and leave them free to en- to prepare for self-defense and to adrich one class of patrons, or one com- minister its affairs with the protection munity, and impoverish another class of its own army is the natural outcome officers of our government are affiliated dition. Her territory was completely with political parties? If the logic of at the mercy of the belligerents. Now Mr. Olney applies to railroads it would that this territory is to be restored to apply to all other agencies created under her she intends to in future safeguard modern conditions for facilitating com- it and in the carrying out of this pur-Japan. The military example of that power is the inspiration to China to create a standing army strong enough Among the notable addresses at the to protect her territory and her interuniversity openings was that of Presi- ests. She will find little difficulty in The arrest of an American showman dent Butler of Columbia, who urged that doing this, under the guidance of her on charge of violating French bank- the building of character is the most im- great neighbor. In a few years she can rupley laws is proof positive that portant work of our institutions of learn- have, if deemed necessary, an army of Americans should confine their frenzied ing. He said that if there is failure to half a million men, thoroughly disfinance operations to this side of the form those traits and habits which to- ciplined and emulating the spirit and gether constitute character all our patriotism of the Japanese. Out of her learning is an evil. President Butler vast population China can obtain sol-Sir Conan Doyle has refused to per- said that just now the American people diers who may be relied upon in any

There will be some to see in this movement a menace to the western away like snow before the sun, and the of the "yellow peril," as to which Emsun in this case is mere publicity. Men peror William and some others profess who for years have beeen trusted im- to be apprehensive. It will be said that plicitly by their fellows, and so placed when China has become a military in positions of honor and grave respon- power, under the influence and guidance sibility, are seen to be mere reckless of Japan, those nations will unite for an speculators with the money of others aggressive policy against the rest of the and petty pilferers of the savings of the world. It is easy to conjure up a bogy poor and needy." He declared that the of this kind, but it is always to be day is due to lack of moral principle; Japan is concerned, her interests have that the greed for gain and the greed become almost as great in the western for power have blinded men to the time- as in the eastern world and the necesold distinction between right and sity for remaining on terms of peace wrong. "Both among business men and and amity with the former was never bia would with equal frankness and ing friendship with all.

Not only will there be no danger in the United States government.

proper understanding and appreciation there would have been so war in Man-ride on horseback or on a railroad page. churia, because Russia would not have It may be safely predicted, however, president of Columbia. The leading ed-been permitted to gain the foothold that the next legislature will be be uentors of the land can be most influen- there she did. It was Chinese helpless- sleged for back pay by the horse docness that gave Russia her opportunity. While there is no danger for perhaps a generation to come of Russia again becoming aggressive in Asia, it is well that the Oriental powers give her no chance to do so. The fact that she still has a foothold in that quarter of the of crude petroleum was raised several world is not to be lost sight of and Russian ambition is sieepless and tireless. China is unquestionably pursuing a judicious policy in building up an army capable of defending her territory and protecting ber interests.

AK-SAR-BEN-

Ak-Sar-Ben, with all that the word neaus in galety and goodfellowship, in instruction and enjoyment, in business and pleasure, is again upon us, and we mark the advent by hailing the carnival king with all the tokens of admiration. Ak-Sar-Ben has become the symbol of all that is most enterprising and progressive in Omaha's business community, the synonym for thorough hospitality and right royal entertainment.

To the visitors who are taking advantage of the invitation to come to Omaha at this gala season and participate in the festivities that have been provided, a warm welcome is extended. The loyal higher than to make the stranger within our gates perfectly at home and to re-

spond to his every wish. our merchants and shopkeepers. Pe- dominate over the white man, vertising columns of The Bee will indicate where the attractive displays of our leading merchants and shopkeepers are to be found, at the same time em- turn up. phasizing their various seasonable spe-

In a word, we feel safe in asserting that no one who comes to Omaha to pay court to Ak-Sar-Ben will go home disappointed or dissatisfied in any respect.

ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMERS.

That President Roosevelt acted judiinvestigate departmental business meth- furters were eaten at Coney Island this opulation and \$70,000,000 of debt, pays ods the developments so far made amply ever will be held this fall and winter." attest. There was no restriction placed upon the authority of the commission in debt, pays \$7,000 per annum; Leigh, prosecuting its inquiries. It was in-450,000 population and \$60,000,000 of structed to make its investigation in the whose run from ocean to ocean seems but several departments and bureaus thorough and this has been done. One ernment printing office, leading to a change in the head of that establishment and certain needed reforms in the administration of its affairs.

Another matter which the commission

to be fully as high as those paid in ply accounts of the several departments, meat industry the shippers and not the American cities of equal population with resulting in the discovery that no two roads fix the rates. The roads object to purchasing agents pay the same price for articles bought by them. It is stated as well for them and the public as the surthat the investigation has already dis- render of the rate-making power to the closed startling discrepancies in the trusts? prices paid for the office supplies used by the government. Purchasing agents and chiefs of supply divisions explain the differences in the prices paid on the ducted in a manner that would make a man ground that some departments buy in in private business raise his hands in horfar larger quantities than others, but rer. The impulse and feeder to this wastethis is scarcely a satisfactory explanafion. It is said the president has under consideration the advisability of estab- business is a chance for those that secure lishing a general purchasing agency for the prosecution of it to make money over all government supplies and probably will recommend to congress that this be done. It is thought that the establish- through the whole evil development. And ment of a single central bureau to act as this springs from the misconception that a purchasing agent for all the departments would result in an annual saving so ordered to supply prizes for political to the government of hundreds of thou- participation. sands of dollars in the cost of articles and also do away with much of the labor required under the present system. It is further pointed out that there would be a notable advantage in bringing the government's purchases of supplies under the direct supervision of one responsible official.

President Roosevelt appears determined to improve, wherever practicable, the business methods in vogue in the various departments and to inaugurate such reforms as are found to be desirable and expedient. The commission he appointed is composed of men experienced in the public business and well qualified for the work entrusted to them. It is expected that they will recommend numerous and in some respects radical changes.

The St. Louis police commission, acting under instructions from Governor Folk will proceed with a more strict enforcement of the Sunday law by closing down the lid in the St. Louis social morsels fit for general circulation. clubs and sealing up the entrances and exits of the drug stores. After they have accomplished this part of their task they are directed to descend upon does not realize that its playmate has been the bucket shops and suppress all deals regenerated. in options and futures. Whether this is to be followed by the closing of St. situation which confronts Americans to- borne in mind that, so far at least as Louis garages and livery stables and the laying off of the trolley line street dist conference is making trouble because cars is a matter of conjecture.

John T. Morgan, the octogenarian senator from Alabama, has no faith in the at the bar are to be found advisers, before so strong as now. How well she Panama canal chiefly because he had counted shrewd and successful, who realizes this is shown in the alliance been for many years the incessant moral law as the standard of conduct." China in a proper course, by her own While the Panama canal may not be Severe as this indictment is it must example teaching that nation the wis- opened for navigation during the lifebe admitted to be just and it would be dom and expediency of strictly observ- time of Mr. Morgan it will be com- Stearns, them's the blanked things that's well if more men occupying such a po- ing international obligations, respecting pleted very much sooner than the Nicsition as that of the president of Colum- the rights of other nations and cultivat- araguan canal would have been if that route had been given the preference by

The claims for traveling expenses of mind still needs to be kept aroused to a well disciplined army two years ago every deputy assistant veterinarian to unregarded.

Last week Wednesday John D. Rockefeller declared to his admiring friends that there are better things than amassing wealth. Last week Friday the price notches, which would seem to indicate that benevolent plutocrats do not al ways practice what they preach.

It is hardly worth while for the United States court of appeals to wrestle with the problem whether the funds from the sale of Indian lands are subject to state and county taxation so long as the grafters get the bulk of the funds and the Indian gets his pay in bootlegger whisky.

Japanese officials show themselves still but half-civilized or they would not have stopped the war on account of a shortage of cash as long as loans could be floated. Remembrance of the day of payment is not expected by civilized governments.

According to President Ripley of the Santa Fe railroad, freight charges are not based upon cost of service, but upon the value of the service to the patrons. subjects of Ak-Sar-Ben have no duty In other words, the rule of all the traffic will bear is still in force.

As usual the democracy of Maryland Nor is the business side of Ak-Sar- will put up black face straw men just Ben to be neglected. The occasion for the fun of knocking them down. serves to enable visitors to take advan- The burning issue, declares Senator tage of the unexampled offerings of all Gorman, is whether the negro shall

> Success Magazine. Destiny has turned many a man down while he was waiting for something to

Keep Moving.

Big Dividends in Sight. Philadelphia Press. If all the statesmen out west get into the habit of throwing away their railroad

passes there is likely to be a considerable increase of dividends on railroad stock.

A Mystifying Mystery. New York Mail. Among the unaccountable contradictions in the news announcements of the day we clously in appointing a commission to notice the statement that "12,000,000 franksummer" and that "more bench shows than

Is it Worth While?

Boston Transcript. Think of the fine battleship Oregon an achievement of yesterday, being spoken of as "antiquated"-as needing to be rebuilt notable result has been the disclosure of country! It is enough to make the untechmismanagement and waste in the gov- nical layman ask himself whether all the expense and all the tourings in the seven

> Railroad Claims Discredited. Springfield Republica

And now we have a railroad president admitting that as against such combinahas been looking into is that of the supadmitting the government as a power in making rates, but would not that be quite

Wasteful Ways in Public Office.

It is a positive fact, and more than this, a factor, that our public business is conful way, with its temptations and opportunities to go wrong, is the broad idea inculcated in the popular mind that public and above what they would expect to make in similar private business; for employes to get higher pay and do less work, and so on public business is exclusively a thing of party control and responsibility and to be

### PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Honors are even in the Twin Cities. One newspaper in each town has given up the weary struggle.

The Jifi Shampoo of Tokio has been rubbed down and the staff reduced to a peace footing in jail. The question, "What shall we do with

our ex-presidents?" is respectfully passed up to woman suffragists. The fossil remains of hogs ten feet long were found in Oregon. This tallies with the end seat variety, supposed to be

modern breed. Chicago's majestic postoffice, completed after ten years of exhausting labor, is now pronounced a "botch." absorbed appropriations, however, demon

strated the skill of master minds Two boys pulled off roofs by kites and a fisherman towed to sea by a shark were features of the exciting finish of the sea son at Coney Island. Life at Coney would

be stale without the unexpected. President Stickney's remarks on the making of freight rates has set all the freight agents guessing. The railroad literary bureaus do not regard them as choice

Eighteen thousand members of a society paraded in Brooklyn one day last week as a protest against profanity in speech. Brooklyn nestles up to Coney Island and

### SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Portland Oregonian: The Albany Methominister appropriated church eash to his own use. A Methodist preacher ought to know better. Real money is not intended for him. Boston Transcript: "Churches get no

more of my money," declares "Standard Rogers. Perhaps he regards them as did a client of the late George M. Stearns, whom he was defending on a charge of the gal liquor selling. Pointing to one of the prominent city churches, he said: "Mr. ruinin' this country." Raltimore American: A shrewd minister

in Jersey City appealed to the women of his church not to attend bareheaded, on the ground that her hair being woman's crowning glory, she was more apt with its full attraction exposed to distract the men with admiration of her charms from cost of living is arousing the nation. It pointed out. What is now being accom- maintenance of peace in eastern Asia. assistant deputy veterinarians filed with their prayers. Naturally the taciful inis perfectly natural that senators, rep- plished through the exposure of men It will be a safeguard against any de- Auditor Searle are in the holdup box be- sinuation that women should in the goodresentatives and government officials who have been entrusted with positions signs on the part of European powers cause the last legislature failed to make ness of their hearts lighten men's distractions by lessening as much as possible their own excess of good looks appealed too powerfully to the feminine heart to go

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#### SERMONS BOILED DOWN.

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put into type. There's a tack somewhere for oneumatic saint Without the sense of stewardship culture

ecomes a curse. No man is going to buy your plety if your peanuts are ancient. The slumber of one saint is no excuse for

he sloth of another. The best way to bear your cross is t share another's cares. The only things that are established are

hose that never stand still. When a man has religion in his heart he will not need it on his hatband. The lightweight man always thinks that is buoyancy is due to his wings. The only version of the Bible authorized

by heaven is the one on two reet. The devil makes a lot of people believe hat his winking is their thinking. Most men have less trouble in forgetting their follies than in foregoing them.-Chicago Tribune.

### DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

"What do you make of the saying 'A king can to no wrong?"
"Oh, whenever a king does anything wrong it is all right."—Houston Post.

"That's a big horse pistol you have there," said Fagg to his friend Wagg. "Yes," returned Wagg, "it grew up from a big Colt."—Portland Oregonian. Mrs. Wilson-Does your son George take

after his father?
Mrs. Gilson-I guess so. He has begun already to take after the girls.—Somerville

She-I wish that woman in the next flat

"Jane, do I not hear a male voice in the

itchen!"
"It's only one of my brothers, sir."
"I was not aware you had any brothers, Neither was I until this morning, sir, when you said in your sermon we wan prothers and sisters."—London Tattler.

about prices? Mark down the sizes. Make the "sixes" "threes," and so on.—Phila-delphia Ledger.

"My wife says I mustn't drink any more coffee. She claims it makes me irritable and unkind."

and unkind."
"But does it?"
"I guess it does. When she refused me a cup this morning I burst right out and said 'Darn it!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Well, if she is ugly, and you've asked her to marry you, and she's got money, make the best of it and put a good face on the matter."
"My dear boy! Have you seen her?"— Baltimore American.

"Well, son?"
"What is frenzied finance?"
"Frenzied finance, my son, is the way
your mother goes after my pay envelope
every Saturday night. Now run along and
play."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

NOTHING WRONG.

W. F. Griffin in Milwaukee Sentinel.

There is nothing at all the matter, my boy-There is nothing at all the matter, my boy—
The world goes plugging along
In the same old way from day to day,
Singing her good old song.
Maybe her songs grow old to you.
And maybe your hopes grow dim;
But there's nothing at all the matter, my It's only your foolish whim.

There is nothing at all the matter, my boy-You have only lost your hold; Get back to the life and back to the strife, Get back to your work's enfold.
There is work laid out for your hands to do.
So stick to your task with vim;
There is nothing at all the matter, my boy—
It's only your foolish whim.

There is nothing at all the matter, my boywould stop talking goo-goo talk to her husband.

He—Oh, well, let her. Poor thing; maybe she hasn't a dog.—Detroit Free Press.

Shoe Dealer—Didn't I tell you to mark those women's shoes down one-half?

New Clerk—Yes, sir. I was just looking to see what the original prices were.

Shoe Dealer—Prices? Who said anything

There is nothing at all the matter, my boy—Stand by till your task is done:

It's the way for a place in the world's mad race—

It's the way that the end is won.

There's a place at the top, but the way is long,
Don't rail if your star grows dim;
Don't say that the world's all wrong, my boy—

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