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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 1st day of December, 1905. M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should mail their Bee to be mailed to them. It is better than a daily letter from home.

Now prepare for the president's "square deal" message. It looks as if the insurance debate had now been transplanted to Nebraska.

The "home rule" issue in Great Britain seems to please the opponents of the idea better than its friends this year.

The extent of the land frauds in Oregon is not known. Neither is the extent of the land frauds in Nebraska.

Real estate values in Omaha are not yet soaring, but their gradual and steady rise is indicated by the record of transfers.

No wonder that the powers of Europe fear to involve Turkey in war since an American is in active command of the sultan's fleet.

People who want to read the president's message in comprehensive yet convenient reference form will look to The Bee for it.

With federal inspection of oyster boats the price of the bivalve may be higher if the effect of government investigation holds true of fish as well as of flesh.

The decision of Judge Phillips at Kansas City comes just in time to emphasize Attorney General Moody's remark that it is difficult under present laws to stop discrimination by railroads.

Now that congress is in session Senator Fulton of Oregon can see how it feels for one man to bear the entire weight of political and legislative interests of an entire state on his shoulders.

Since the subject has been brought up, Postmaster General Cortelyou may insist upon going before the New York insurance committee. The easiest way to stop a sensation is to make public all the facts.

Now that the first day of the six-day bicycle race in New York has resulted in serious injury to one of the participants those who were not satiated with the foot ball games know where to look for "amusement."

The majority of the members of the county board appear to be in favor of putting an end to and lopping off the county jail graft, but it seems to be too much a question of etiquette as to who shall move first.

Grand jury investigations are becoming the order of the day in nearly every section of the country and it would not be out of order to convene a grand jury here in Douglas county just to keep up with the procession.

Great Britain proposes to increase its navy by four armored ships and at the same time reduce its naval appropriation \$7,500,000. British naval boards must have heretofore included some incipient life insurance managers.

A live stock show for Omaha would be a very desirable acquisition, just as has been the horse show and will be the flower show. To take care of the people attracted by these shows, however, Omaha needs at least one new first-class fireproof hotel.

Lieutenant Governor McGillon gives some convincing reasons for an extra session of the legislature to submit constitutional amendments. Mr. McGillon's answer to those who pretend to fear that such an extra session would be fruitless of results leaves them nothing further to say.

CANNON ON RATE REFORM.

There will be no more potent influence in congress in behalf of the president's policy of railway rate regulation than Speaker Cannon. There had been some doubt in regard to his position on this paramount question, but this is removed by what he said in his speech to the republican caucus which renominated him.

This is entirely in accord with the view of President Roosevelt, who has repeatedly said that there is no desire or disposition to do any injustice to the railroad, the purpose being simply to require them to deal fairly and justly toward the public and to comply honestly and faithfully with the laws.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAW.

There is to be another effort in congress to secure the repeal of the bankruptcy law and it will perhaps be pressed somewhat more earnestly than hitherto. The influences which are fighting the law have been pretty active since the close of the last congress and it is not unlikely that it will be shown that they have gained some strength and will be able to present better reasons than heretofore in support of their demand for repeal.

It seems improbable that such manifestly selfish interests can have any influence with congress, especially in view of the fact that repeal is not being urged by the substantial business interests or that class of merchants who want fair and just dealing between debtor and creditor.

THE TREASURY SITUATION.

It is not probable that there will be any revenue legislation at the present session of congress. If there shall be a curtailment of expenditures, as is now promised, there will be no necessity for making provision for more revenue. The November returns were very satisfactory. The close of that month found the deficit for the current fiscal year standing at less than half that which existed at the end of the corresponding month a year ago.

It is now thought by treasury officials that the deficit for the whole fiscal year will not much exceed \$12,000,000 and may be less. Of course there is to be considered the necessity of making prompt provision for meeting Panama canal obligations, which require \$16,000,000, but if there is the necessary legislation for issuing canal bonds the appropriation asked for immediately could be covered back into the treasury and this would not make an addition to the deficit.

The vast revenues gathered from a willing people are applied to the public service to make the same efficient, avoiding parsimony on the one hand and extravagance on the other.

The question of revenue, therefore, is not likely to engage the attention of the fifty-ninth congress. It is probable that the minority party will endeavor to raise the question and will propose tariff reductions as a means of increasing the government's receipts.

TAX SHIRKING BY INJUNCTION.

One of the most pernicious abuses of judicial injunction is the assistance given by the federal courts to tax shirking railroads on the plea that they have been assessed above the just proportion of their true value, as compared with the assessed valuation of other taxable property.

The ordinary taxpayer in Nebraska has no alternative but either to pay the tax levied upon his property or to submit to a seizure of his chattel property and delinquent tax sale of his real estate. The best he can do, if he deems his taxes to have been illegally levied, is to pay under protest, and take his chances of recovery of the overcharge after due process of law.

Early Bird Gets the Pick.

The organized and most praiseworthy attempt that is being made to persuade people to do their Christmas shopping early, so as to mitigate the nerve-wearing crush during the days before the holiday, appears to be making real headway.

Basin of Statesmanship.

It is announced with some show of authority that Seneca E. Payne of New York will not be the floor leader of the house this session. We sincerely hope that no action will be taken which will deprive Mr. Payne of his time-honored privilege of personally conducting the motion that "this house do adjourn."

The Turbine Revolution.

It is remarkable that within little more than four years of its commercial introduction the turbine type of engine should be adopted so largely that the present horsepower, built and building, now amounts to about 700,000.

FRIENDS FOR THE MOMENT.

New Born Zeal of Corporations for "Rights of Labor."

The railroads are giving a wide circulation to the statement submitted to President Roosevelt by the delegation of railway employees who visited him for the purpose of urging that no course be taken in dealing with the corporations which would compel them to reduce the wages of labor.

TRICELLE OLIVE OIL

Advertisement for Tricelle Olive Oil, featuring a bottle illustration and text: "Try it in your next salad. Compare with other brands and judge for yourself. At all grocers."

been computed at \$10,628,438.02. Under the old license fee system of taxation that prevailed in Wisconsin up to last year the state was entitled to 4 per cent of the gross earnings of every railroad.

Chief of Police Donahue appears to be very reluctant to recommend the permanent closing of saloons in the proscribed district. The chief insists that these resorts serve as mouse traps for predatory criminals, who can more readily be trapped in their regular trysting places than if allowed to roam about town.

The World-Herald's game of blackmail upon liquor dealers goes merrily on.

Those liquor dealers who are coming down to its demand for a \$10 contribution are doing so not because they have to advertise in that sheet, but because they are afraid not to do so for fear of incurring its editorial hostility.

Members of the county board who agree with The Bee that the county prisoner feed graft is an outrageous imposition upon the taxpayers should not stand upon the order of their moving, but move at once.

According to certain railway magazines, the railroads are willing to support part of the president's rate program provided he will have questions referred to a board composed of men having had previous experience in railroad offices, but experience proves that the experience of the average man in a railroad office does not necessarily fit him for unprejudiced decisions.

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ARMY GOSSIP IN WASHINGTON.

Current Events Gleaned from the Army and Navy Register.

The army is to have three new balloons, under authority granted by Secretary Taft, upon the recommendations of the chief signal officer of the service. The balloons are of the new type made in France, and represent the latest and most efficient of such aerial vehicles.

The army signal office has awarded contracts for 750 miles of various types of field telegraph wire.

The American Steel and Wire company will furnish a quantity of wire for the construction of a balloon work and during the coming season is not likely to show greater liberality. At the same time, every effort will be made to keep up with the times and a demonstration to that effect is made in the adoption of the process of making hydrogen and in purchasing the latest type of balloon for military purposes.

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Advertisement for Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Text: "For Lung Troubles. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral certainly cures hard coughs, hard colds, bronchitis, consumption. And it certainly strengthens weak throats and weak lungs. Ask your own doctor. If he says it's good, take it. If he has anything better, take that. We have no secrets! We publish the formulas of all our medicines." Includes manufacturer info: "Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass."

STATE PRESS COMMENT.

Norfolk Press: The supreme court could very easily make a short cut to revision of the state constitution by declaring all the laws creating state boards of this, that and the other unconstitutional—which they really are.

Kearney Hub: Governor Mickey is right about the Nebraska constitution. It has grown too small for the needs of the state.

Kearney Hub: The Omaha Bee remarks that "if the report that the Board of Regents of the State university proposes to persist in conducting business in a star chamber it is to be hoped that it will reconsider and throw its doors wide open to publicity."

Albion News: A large assembly of Butler county people passed resolutions denouncing the Union Pacific and Burlington railroads for refusing to pay their taxes, and promised to give their business to the Northwestern, which has paid its taxes like other people.

York Times: At first flush it seems strange that republican papers should delight in criticizing republican officials.

Norfolk Press: The tax agents of the Union Pacific and Burlington railroads are going about the state tendering to county treasurers such positions of the taxes levied against their companies as they think they ought to pay.

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LIGHT AND BRIGHT.

"The Blanks are very proud of their ancestors." "They ought to be. They're the only members of the family that ever amounted to anything."—Detroit Free Press.

"How do you know that that couple is married?" "They ride on my car every day."

"Oh, then you are acquainted with them?" "Not by the always pays the car fare."—Houston Post.

"A reformer has many difficulties to face." "Yes," answered Senator Sorghum, "as soon as the public discovers a reformer it makes so much of him that his personal vanity is in danger of being developed until it destroys his usefulness."—Washington Star.

"Judge Goodfellow just went down the street; I thought you said he was attending a big banquet to him this evening." "Not at all. I saw him coming out of DeLia's and I merely remarked there was a big dinner in his honor this evening."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"Where is our guide?" "Over in the bunkhouse, drunk. Why?" "I wanted to make sure, I'm just going to fire at a deer."—Louisville Courier Journal.

Mr. DeBrush—What is there about my portrait of you that you don't like, madam? Mrs. DeBrush—I don't like the coloring in the face. It doesn't look natural. Mr. DeBrush—I didn't try to make it look natural. You ought to want it true to life.—Cleveland Leader.

SMILES.

Detroit Free Press. He preached the smile doctrine. "I would a smile would cure all ills; And one day I thought I'd try it. 'Twas a smile that I put on my face, And all men met his bill. Never met him that he didn't cry out, 'Cheer up, Bill, an' smile; Life ain't such a dreary burden. Something's surely with the while.'"

Said a smile wuz real, an' trouble Didn't hev no place in life; An' recommended smile. To appease an angry wife; Said there wuz no use in swearin' 'Said the hull world would be gay. If a man would jest imagine That the sun shone every day.

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Oh, the preachin' part is easy. But the practicin' is tough; And when you're likely to be called, Don't try to work a fudge. If you're teachin' smile'n lessons—Which are worthy lessons, too—When trouble hits your wagon, Folks will want a smile from you.

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