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WHEN OUT OF TOWN: Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

It may later be shown that President Castro's anti-American talk was merely the product of delirium.

Proceedings in the house would lead an observer to believe that Speaker Cannon occasionally releases his strangle hold on "the lid."

In the retirement of Lieutenant General Bates an officer goes out of active service in the army who always proved himself a staunch friend of Omaha.

If Japan is alive to the possibilities of advertising it will pull off no earthquake in Formosa until people have recovered from the shock of the disaster in Italy.

It is safe to assume that the United States marshal at Savannah did not make the mistake of remanding Greene and Gaynor into the custody of their own attorneys.

The big express companies will be required to look around for another hired man since Senator Platt has announced his coming retirement from the upper branch of congress.

Perhaps Emperor Francis Joseph is thankful that he was not permitted to show how much more effectively than the czar he could enforce an era of absolutism in his realm.

With Buffalo producing a "graveyard" scandal, other aspiring cities are out of the running unless the Zion enterprise of "Apostle" Dowle can be considered post mortuary "graft."

When the roll of twentieth century heroes is made up the name of Prof. Matteece, who kept his station on Mount Vesuvius during the entire time of the eruption, will not be at the foot of the list.

In deciding to retain control of the finances of Russia the czar proves that he realizes the source of power; but how long he can retain the purse strings is a question which may have to be decided by the taxpayers.

The prediction is being ventured at Washington that congress will be ready to adjourn by the first part of June so that all members may go home and patch up their political fences. On the theory of giving ample time for fence-patching, the senate should adjourn several months ahead of the house.

Harper's Weekly persists in pursuing its agitation for President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton university for the democratic presidential nomination in 1908 without waiting for the aid or consent of Colonel Bryan—which goes to show that the political admirers of the Princeton president are more academic than practical.

The lack of demonstration over the discovery of the illicit connection between railroads and coal companies as shown in the Baltimore investigation either means that the people of the United States expect nothing better from the capitalists of finance or that they feel that all is fair in business as well as in love and war.

The position of city comptroller is one of the most important in the city hall. The comptroller is expected to keep a check on all other officers who have anything to do with the receipt, custody or disbursement of city money. The republican nominee, W. Ernest Johnson, is vouchsafed for not only as to his ability and experience as an expert accountant but also as to his absolute honesty and integrity.

THE EASTER SPIRIT

The suggestions of Easter grows stronger instead of fading as the world grows older, and each recurring anniversary stirs that aspiration for the life eternal which is as old as man and which death itself cannot stifle.

But we do not learn the Easter lesson merely from philosophy, but more from the inherent impulses of life itself, and the signs and ceremonial with which religion has consecrated them.

It proves that life is growing better, for joyousness is the twin of faith. A day when old and young turn to flowers and hope and contemplation of victory over death sends softening and ameliorating influences through every day and hour of the year.

The tradition must be true that devotes this day to gladness and to brightness, and to that spirit we cannot give ourselves too unreservedly.

THE REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET, to be voted for at the municipal election the first Tuesday in May, is headed by the name of Erastus A. Benson for mayor.

Neither those who opposed him for the nomination nor those who oppose him now for the election deny his qualifications to fill the office and to perform its duties with credit to the community.

Mr. Benson has been a resident of Omaha for nearly twenty years and has been continuously engaged in the real estate business here.

During all that time he has enlisted for successive public enterprises designed to promote the growth and material prosperity of the city, contributing liberally according to his means.

Mr. Benson has always taken an active interest in public affairs and is fairly well informed on the subjects which would have to be dealt with by him as head of the city government.

On most of these questions he has publicly declared the position he would take and there is no reason to doubt that his promises will be fulfilled, so far as authority vested in him as mayor would extend.

His business ability has been demonstrated in his own private business and his pledge to apply to the management of the city's business the same care and economy will ensure a businesslike administration with him at the helm.

In addition to this, Mr. Benson is a man of education and culture, who, as chief executive, would do the honors for the city on public occasions in a manner befitting to the character and intelligence of the people who make up the community.

All these considerations should appeal strongly to every one of our citizens whose fortune is linked with the future of Omaha and who wants to see the city continue to go steadily forward in the march of progress.

NEW YORK'S BIG BANK SCHEME: The proposal of a great dominating central bank in New York, clothed with power of issue and having branches in other important cities, while it may be convenient as a text for discussion of imperfections of our monetary system, is not practical and will at once encounter objection on grounds of fundamental policy.

In many of its main features, note issues, branch banks, government deposits, etc., the scheme is merely another form of various propositions which have emanated at one time or another from the same quarter.

On not one of these propositions are the representatives of the general banking interests of the country at all agreed, but rather at the widest possible variance of opinion.

To group so many vitally important propositions in the concrete form of a great controlling bank would only strengthen and intensify the opposition in banking and financial circles, to say nothing of popular repugnance.

The definite suggestion is important, however, as showing that New York bankers are considering seriously how to meet the periodic money stringency which has immemorably been felt in that great center of finance and speculation, formerly, indeed, far more severely than now.

Long ago the country realized that, although our financial laws have been faulty from either a scientific or a practical standpoint, the tap root of the trouble is in speculation and not in the operations of legitimate business and banking.

Up to within very recent times the national treasury was forever yielding to the clamor for deposits of its surplus funds, when excessive speculation overreached itself and got into difficulties in New York.

That resource has now been properly curtailed, treasury funds now being equitably distributed over the country when deposited at all, and there will never be a return to the old policy.

The broad fact is that the cure of such New York money deaths and credit contractions must be by prevention, and the remedy must be by the New York bankers themselves.

It is simply sound banking, holding credits remorselessly to the line of legitimate security, that directly or indirectly, the New York banks, directly or indirectly, have been parties to vicious speculation.

They have taken the profits, but have wanted to be saved from the consequences, by government interposition or otherwise. This trouble, though diminishing slowly, still exists. The time has not yet come when the country will permit banking institutions so compli-

THE NEBRASKA SENATORSHIP

Masses Perish in Looking to Edward Rosewater as Man for the Place. Source: City Journal.

A notable feature of the Nebraska political situation is the prominence which is given to the name of Edward Rosewater in connection with the United States senatorship.

Mr. Rosewater has not placed himself in the list of avowed aspirants nor given the least sign of intention to do so, having gone to Europe a month or two ago, whence he will not return for some time.

But since long before his departure a disposition has been increasingly manifest among republican newspapers and especially the republican masses, including many who in times past have not been politically sympathetic and some of whom have been positively hostile to Mr. Rosewater, to regard him as at this juncture the logical representative of Nebraska republicanism in the United States senate.

Nor is this tendency towards the veteran Nebraska editor an unnatural development. The attitude of the republican party under President Roosevelt's leadership towards all questions is substantially the attitude which Mr. Rosewater has persistently and conspicuously maintained for well nigh forty years, or from the day he became identified as a public character with the history of Nebraska and the west.

All this time he has been among the foremost of those who have stood up in face of odds and all constraints, for the supremacy of law over all private corporation interests and against graft everywhere.

He never hesitated to attack abuses involving public morals or public authority—to attack them specifically and in the concrete, even when that course was not popular nor tempting to the pretender and the time-avenger, as it now is, but rather a bar to political preferment and personal advantage.

Abilities from Mr. Rosewater's conceded ability in his personal acquaintance with public men of national standing and familiarity with public questions and affairs, for all of which no man in the west is better known—an advantage of incalculable value to his state in all its concerns in the senate and in Washington generally—it is natural that many should feel a sense of the ideal justice of according him to a place in the senate, now that the policies he has so long championed amidst innumerable rebuffs and discouragements are actually in line to be decisively dealt with by the American people.

And there are many in his state representing interests sometimes at variance with him in politics who are coming to see how valuable—indeed how essential—the services of such a man in certain more and more to be to the public. For Mr. Rosewater is not a demagogue and no one, not even those who have nestled strenuously contended with him, have ever accused him of being one.

He stood out as uncompromisingly against the popular assault on monetary soundness, an assault exceeding violent in Nebraska, as he stood out for control of corporations and official fidelity to public interest. It may well be, as thoughtful men are beginning to reflect, that such a character, as steadfast to substantial interests, as anxious for public rights, may be sorely needed in high place sooner than many may now think.

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RAILROADS AND COAL MINES

The investigation by the Interstate Commerce commission into the coal and oil business is not disclosing any new practice of railroads and railroad officials, but the evidence is already bringing out numerous flagrant instances of the vicious results of mingling transportation and industrial proprietary interests.

Equal rights of shippers to transportation are impossible when the imperial power of control over transportation is in the hands of men who for themselves or for a great railroad system are also competitors, as coal mine owners with the ordinary shippers.

The power is too great to be entrusted to human nature, yet the investigation demonstrates that it is still actually being wielded by those in control of railroad and coal mining companies.

Such a power infallibly implies unlawful discrimination and the worst effects of rebates, not to speak of the incalculable opportunities for official railroad graft. These are precisely the evils which so many laws on the federal and state statute books were designed to punish and abolish.

It has been abundantly demonstrated that the granting of rebates has not ceased, and it is being demonstrated now before the Interstate commission's investigation ordered by congress is fairly under way that the corruptions and discriminations that always have been associated with rebates are perpetuated, if not indeed increased by railroad participation in great industries which public policy requires them to serve only as carriers.

Railroad investigation is needful and helpful, but positive legislation for controlling railroads in the light of it is what the country now is waiting for.

RELIEF FOR VESUVIUS VICTIMS: Mayor Zimmerman has appointed a local committee to co-operate with similar committees in other cities in raising a relief fund for the victims of the Vesuvius volcanic eruption.

The extent of the disaster wrought by the belching mountain in the destruction of property, rendering homeless thousands of unfortunate Italians, is scarcely realized by our people. The worst part of it will in all probability be found in the ruin of growing crops by the coating of fallen ashes, making it impossible for the peasants and agriculturalists within the stricken territory to raise the products of the earth on which they would have to depend for a livelihood.

The need for relief measures will surely be very great, much greater than can be adequately provided for by the Italian government and the people of Italy in themselves. It is only reasonable that America in its plenitude of prosperity, to which citizens of Italian nationality have contributed materially, should extend a helping hand.

And Omaha ought to do its share toward the accumulation of the relief fund raised in this country.

Members of the lower-house of congress are now engaged in the harmless pastime of delivering to empty benches, carefully prepared and memorized speeches lauding their own party and arraigning the other fellows' party. These speeches will in due time come off the presses in neatly printed pamphlet form for distribution through the mails under congressional frank to over-awe the constituent who receives a copy by a realization of what a big man his congressman is.

The dissemination of extracts from the congressional record, however, has been worked so hard that the people are beginning to see through it until it loses much of its effect. Yet to have a speech accepted for broadcast distribution by the campaign committee seems to be the height of ambition in certain congressional quarters.

What was once the recognized official organ of the populist party in Nebraska is now devoting itself to urging the last populist nominee for governor as the strongest candidate to head the democratic ticket this fall. It looks as if the old three-ring circus of "the allied forces of reform," which more lately pulled off the show in two rings, had finally come down to a one-ring performance.

The backers of "Jim" Dahman continually harp upon the great number of friends he has in other parts of Nebraska. Omaha is not choosing a mayor merely on the strength of his pull on outsiders. If Dahman has any claim whatever upon the people of Omaha for anything he has done to help build up our city, let him point it out.

Congressman Towne has decided that the personal characteristics of President Roosevelt shall be an issue in the next national campaign. The jolt that democracy would receive on such a platform would make Judge Parker look like "a three-time winner."

Difficult Parental Task. Washington Post. The average father is going to find some difficulty in encouraging his children to spell words the way they know it would put the weaker brethren out of business. The Ohio men do not seem to understand the first principles of high finance.

What is at Stake. Chicago Inter Ocean. One of the explanations that might be offered with regard to the intense bitterness of the fight raging around Dowle is that there is some valuable property in Zion.

Consider the Lily. Baltimore American. Now the Easter lily is the national flower and the fairest of them all.

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SERMONS BOILED DOWN

Sacrifice gives wings to our gifts. Faultless people are usually forceless. The demons are all afraid of a happy man.

The master's back shows the servant's true face. Sin may be often covered, but it is never concealed. No man ought to complain of the pain that cures a ride.

Tomorrow's shadow is always heavier than today's duty. He who has no patience with children has no power with men. True courage faces any foe, but it does not forget its firearms.

This is always a good world to those who are doing good work. The length of life we cannot determine, but its strength and value we may. It is the sacrifice we make for ideals that determines the value of the real.

You can well afford to forego the fortune that makes you forget the good. If your religion interferes with your business the chances are it needs to go. The best arguments for religion will always be in lives rather than in libraries.

The man who is afraid of being first can be sure of one thing, that he will not be last in the list of failures.—Chicago Tribune.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE: People expert on putting on the lid can achieve fame and fortune by tackling Vesuvius.

The boat rocking season opened at Cedar Rapids. In last week, and precipitated three funerals.

Philadelphia, the city of homes, rightly boasts of 200,000 dwellings, an average of one dwelling for every five persons.

The Chicago man who pressed snow into bales and stored it away is now in condition to give the ice combine a rude jolt.

In six years the Spanish claims awarded \$275 as an expense of \$37,596. The committee knows where the money will do the most good.

Apostle Dewie scattered hot air all the way from Mexico and then tumbled into a Chicago lawyer's office to cool off. Two days of expurgated wrath is the prophet's limit.

A New York man who won fame by shooting the rapids at Niagara is enjoying the autumn of life bossing a lunch wagon in the vicinity of his exploits. Still it is said republics are ungrateful.

A Chicago man is willing to undertake the startling task of telling nothing but the truth for a whole year, provided somebody guarantees to give him \$5,000. When the environment is considered, the job is worth the money.

An unbeliever in the "divine right" of kings is said to have challenged the Italian monarch, "If thou art king, bid Vesuvius be still." The carping doubter forgot that "divine right" is limited to holding the royal job.

The supreme court of New York gives the strenuous life a boost by ruling that passengers must step lively when boarding or leaving street cars, or suffer the consequences. Dignified leisure in the metropolis is limited to horse cars.

The tipping system among waiters has reached an interesting stage in Brooklyn. A projected complimentary dinner to Methodist ministers had to be abandoned because the waiters refused to serve it. There wasn't any money in it for them.

Among the arguments of the Chicago elevated railway employees for a general increase in wages is the claim that "considerable diplomacy is needed by the men in handling the intoxicated roisterers who board the trains during the small hours of the morning." Substitute muscle for diplomacy and you get a true perspective of the task.

Not the Whole Thing. Philadelphia Record. The people of the United States are mighty traders before the Lord, and are beautiful accordingly. For the first seven months of the fiscal year our aggregate exports and imports footed up a total of \$1,323,334,314. These are stunning figures, showing \$2 per capita for our 500,000,000 people. But the export and import trade of Canada, with its 4,000,000 inhabitants, for the same seven months was \$267,000,000, equal to \$1 per capita, more than double our own.

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not the rival of man. It is not stated how these views were received by the National Council of Women, but they will strike a responsive chord in the hearts of millions who never wish to see the sanctity of the home invaded or disturbed by the stern problems which this stronger sex are forced to solve. The womanly woman who reigns with a wand of love in a peaceful home has a greater influence on the progress of the world than she will ever attain in the political arena. There is more than a modicum of truth in the statement that "the hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world."

Speaking of Pianos. Have you ever heard of the Hospe Plan? Hospe plan of what? Why, the Hospe Plan of selling Pianos so that the buyer is assured of fair, square treatment. That sounds interesting—let's have the gist of the matter. Well, to be brief: The pianos sold by Hospe are the best in the world. Each piano is marked with its one lowest price. No commission is paid to anyone for taking or sending customers to the Hospe Store. Upwards of a quarter of a century of exacting requirements—of painstaking attention to detail—of experience with particular customers, has made Hospe pianos as near right in quality and in price as is possible. We Save You From \$50 to \$150 on a Piano. A. HOSPE CO. 1513 Douglas St. We Also Talk About Piano Players—THE ANGELUS. Spring Announcement 1906. We are now displaying a most complete line of foreign novelties for spring and summer wear. Your early inspection is invited, as it will afford an opportunity of choosing from a large number of exclusive styles. We import in "Single suit lengths," and a suit cannot be duplicated. An order placed now may be delivered at your convenience. Guckert & McDonald Tailors 317 South 1