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WHEN OUT OF TOWN. Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them.

It is to the credit of Spain that the bomb-thrower was not a Spaniard.

Nicholas has not yet expressed his sympathy for Alfonso, but it is there, no doubt.

Burton has until Tuesday to resign. After that he may devote his life to resignation.

The grand jury seems to have added a postscript to its sessions, but postscripts do not often count for much.

In order to hand a bouquet to the new city council the World-Herald had to slap the new democratic mayor in the face.

John L. Webster is entitled to credit for being foresighted enough for once to know that the omens are not propitious.

Mayor Dahman insists that he is still standing on the platform and that the principal ingredient of the platform is "backbone."

Joy reigns in Louisville, for the lid is snowed. The police judge holds that the Sunday law is unconstitutional.

Several thousand Nebraska women have joined the throng who are sending petitions to the United States senate against Senator Smoot.

Pennsylvania railroad men will have a chance to tell still more before the Interstate Commerce commission resumes work Monday.

The growth of the woman's club idea, as evidenced by the addition of more than an hundred new clubs to the general roster during the last two years, is the best answer to those who said the movement was short-lived.

President Roosevelt promises to gratify the demand for the text of the reports on the packing houses.

To show that he is a modern king, Alfonso took his bride for an unstarred spin through the streets of Madrid.

After all, the delay in the Smoot case was not caused by a difference of opinion as to whether he should be tried, but the constitutional lawyers could not agree as to just how to do it.

The Mohonk conference has announced its scheme for furthering universal peace, and the French government has announced its intention of adopting a more modern rifle for its army.

If the new member of the Water board can persuade the water works appraisers to bring in their report forthwith and tell us how much it will cost the taxpayers to buy the plant, he will have accomplished something that all the other members of the board have been trying in vain to do for more than three years.

THE SENEGAMBIAN IN THE WOODPILE.

From all the gyrations and contortions which the old ring of discredited politicians is making to create a diversion from the main issue involved in the impending senatorial contest in Nebraska it is plain that there is a gentleman of very dark hue hidden under the lumber.

The attempt to precipitate a disturbance here in Douglas county, when scratched beneath the surface, discloses itself to be simply a part of this concerted effort of a few corporation politicians seeking to oppose a popular choice by getting behind anyone whom they think they might use to corner a few votes against the nomination of a senator in the state convention.

Republicans throughout Nebraska, therefore, must be on their guard against secret machinations to override their will. Nebraska republicans have declared over and over again in favor of the election of United States senators by direct popular vote, and while The Bee would have preferred to have had the choice of senator submitted to a direct primary as the closest approximation to the direct vote the convention nomination can be made to register the popular choice if the rank and file enforce their preference at every stage of caucus and intermediate convention.

The effort to sidetrack the senatorial nomination in state convention two years ago failed ignominiously and it will fall again this year, if Roosevelt republicans keep alive to the situation with fixed determination to prevent the smuggling of a corporation tool into the senate by bargain and sale in the legislature.

THE MADRID ANARCHIST ATROCITY.

The sense of the civilized world revolts at the slaughter of a score of innocent people in an attempt to murder the young king and queen of Spain as they were returning from the wedding ceremony at church. It is a startling revelation of the atrocious spirit of anarchy.

It is sacrilege to associate that spirit with the spirit of liberty and reform which in all ages has sought to remedy governmental abuse. Anarchy lays its bloody axe at the very roots of civilized society and springs from the most wanton impulses of savagery.

Chief Engineer Stevens, who has lately arrived from the isthmus, is strongly insistent that a point has now been reached at which decision can no longer be postponed without interrupting operations and causing an army of men to be laid off.

THE PRESIDENT'S TRAVELING EXPENSES.

An item in the pending sundry bill appropriation providing \$25,000 to defray the traveling expenses of the president, at his discretion, will meet with public approbation.

Every president from Washington down has made formal progresses through the country. There are cogent reasons of public policy why the head of the nation should thus occasionally appear among the people, not only stimulating their patriotism, but also acquiring that knowledge of men and interests which can often be gained only through direct personal observation, and which is so especially important in a government by and for the people.

Under existing conditions the stated allowance to the president is insufficient for such expenses, and even if he were a rich man he ought not to have to bear a burden which, being a public burden, should fall on the public.

The new departure cannot fail to have an important effect upon state legislation and official practice, and to hasten the day when transportation, whether provided for public characters or private citizens, shall be fairly and fully paid for, without favor or discrimination of any sort.

THE STATEHOOD QUESTION.

The agreement of the conference committee leaves the statehood question, so far as Oklahoma is concerned, practically where it was a year ago, and it remains for the house to decide whether it will permit admission without regard to Arizona and New Mexico.

But there has been a distinct change of public opinion in favor of Oklahoma in the meantime. The claim of its fitness for statehood is one of the strongest that has ever been presented by every territory seeking admission.

Sentiment in congress for acting on the Oklahoma case separately has been much stronger at this session than ever before, but at the outset it was sufficient to control only the senate. That its influence is growing is shown by the agreement of the house conferees to the senate plan of an enabling act.

This leaves Arizona and New Mexico to be dealt with independently, and the people of the two territories decide whether they will be merged into one state or continue in their present territorial status.

In no event can the admission of Oklahoma be very long delayed, while it is possible that Arizona and New Mexico may remain territories indefinitely.

CONGRESS AND THE CANAL.

It is the general opinion at Washington that congress will reach no conclusion at this session as to the type of the Panama canal. While the house is represented to be firmly set against the sea level plan, the tendency in the senate has lately been strongly in the contrary direction, and at any rate to be sufficient to block legislation requiring a lock canal.

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All the arguments that have been advanced in and out of congress for government regulation of railroad rates apply with equal force to the express companies.

POLITICAL DRIFT.

Direct state taxes have been abolished in New York.

Twenty-nine states are to elect governors next fall.

Democratic harmony in Tennessee is a shade livelier than the Omaha brand.

Out of the turmoil that surrounds the Russian Parliament at St. Petersburg comes the cheering news that the agrarians are not to undertake general expropriation of land.

Former occupants of county fee offices evince no disposition to cough up the perquisites said to have been absorbed by them in excess of the amounts authorized by law.

Omaha's new street commissioner has a record of having served as councilman, member of the legislature, deputy sheriff and county jailer, to say nothing of being a plumber by

OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The influence of Japan's victory over Russia in the far east is having the predicted effect of uniting and strengthening Oriental peoples.

The call is out for the republican congressional convention for the Second Nebraska district. This is the first congressional convention to be called in Nebraska this year.

A Difference. Chicago Tribune. In the case of the Standard Oil investigation there is a difference. You have to eat comparatively few of the Standard Oil company's products.

Time to Sit Up. Buffalo Express. As another encouraging sign, note the fact that stockholders generally are beginning to sit up and take notice when directors and officers go astray.

So Soon Forgotten. Chicago Record-Herald. Princess Edna should not neglect to get all the friends of it that she can at this time. Six months from now the world will have forgotten her and some other girl will be getting her picture in the papers.

Real Thing in Civilization. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Japanese papers say the cost of living in that country has doubled in the last six years, and that the servant question has become hothouse. It must be admitted that these civilizing tendencies are the real thing.

Merely a Reminder. New York Tribune. Hon. John Sharp Williams seems to be conducting a filibuster in the house of representatives on the theory that otherwise the country would be in danger of forgetting that the democratic minority is still there.

Ticking Off July Dividends. Louisville Courier-Journal. The Watch trust is distributing a dividend of 1 3/8 per cent.

Restrictions on Immunity Baths. New York Tribune. Senator Knox has drawn and the senate judiciary committee has favorably reported a bill to exempt corporations from the legal immunity granted to witnesses giving testimony on a federal summons.

What We Are Coming To. Philadelphia Record. As a hint of the approaching glorious Fourth, it is announced that 29,000,000 fireworks and 200,000,000 torpedoes have been landed on these shores.

Restraining Express Companies. Strongest of Inside Corporations in Transportation Service. It is clear now that any attempt to exclude the express companies from the provisions of the rate bill must result in failure.

Man of Brains and Power. Alexandria Argus (rep.). With Edward Rosewater in the senate Nebraska would be represented by a man of brains and power.

Record in His Guaranty. Gering Courier (rep.). There is something remarkable about the way impetus has accrued to the Rosewater senatorial boom.

Rosewater Stock Advancing. Humphrey Democrat (dem.). Edward Rosewater's senatorial stock has advanced wonderfully the past few days.

Would Disarm Opposition. Beatrice Sun (ind.). One thing is sure, if Rosewater was the republican nominee it would disarm the opposition to the republican party that is made because of the railroad influence.

Forget It! Sen. Francis Chronicle. One of the most earnest manifestations of desire to earn money no matter how is that furnished by the vigorous pushing of the sale of pictures showing the extent of the recent calamity.

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The Last and Lowest Price. Under the Hospe plan one pays only for what one gets and contributes nothing to a "commission fund."

Edward Rosewater for Senator. Nebraska would be represented. Junius Herald (rep.). Edward Rosewater of the Omaha Bee is a candidate for United States senator.

Home County Can Nominate. John L. Webster has pulled out of the senatorial race and it is said that his strength will go to Edward Rosewater.

Field Gradually Clearing. The Journal (rep.). Edward Rosewater has announced that he would not be a candidate for the republican nomination for the United States senate.

The Logical Candidate. Humboldt Leader (rep.). The republicans of southeastern Nebraska are rapidly turning toward Edward Rosewater as the logical candidate for United States senator.

Browning, King & Co. IT'S THE QUALITY. It isn't advertising that sells the clothing we make for our sixteen retail stores.