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

The German Socialist may find interest in the history of the populist party.

The country will soon know how much ice Secretary Root cut in Canada.

Boston has a man 62 years of age who says he never told a lie in his life.

One danger is that the average congressman is apt to think he must talk more to earn that increase in pay.

Senator Morgan has issued another bulletin in which he promises to dig Panama scandals faster than the contractors can dig dirt.

A photographer has been rejected as a Thaw juror. No photographer could be expected to return a verdict against one of his best customers.

Chancellor Day of the Syracuse university will probably not stop until he succeeds in organizing the Society for the Alleviation of Indigent Trusts.

Carter Harrison says he is not certain that he wants to be mayor of Chicago again.

Hon. "Billy" Mason is living in Chicago and probably lamenting the fact he got out of the senate before an effort was made to organize that body into a minstrel troupe.

George B. Cortelyou is said to owe his rise in life to his habit of listening to everybody and never saying a word.

Dispatches state that Goldfield is so overcrowded that it is hard to find a place to sleep.

In response to criticisms for having borrowed money from a Standard Oil magnate Senator Bailey replies that when he wants to borrow money he always goes to a man who has it.

Chicago attributes its 6,000 scarlet fever cases to the use of infected milk, but the country will be slow to believe that Chicago uses milk to an extent to warrant that much illness.

Mr. Cone of Saunders is finding the billet of opposition leader in the house at Lincoln a sinecure in one regard, at least. He meets opposition to about everything he proposes doing.

The National Co-Operator declares that "There would be more Rockefeller in the world if the young men would devote as much time to money-making as they do to love-making."

Representative Phil Campbell of Kansas has attacked the weather bureau reports, insisting that there is nothing like as much wind in Kansas as there used to be.

Having recently provided for the ice crop, the weather man is now paying some attention to the winter wheat. While the snow blanket has not yet attained a depth that is alarming, the fact that it exists at all is an encouraging sign.

The Nebraska climate is certainly vindicating its general good reputation this year.

MINE SPECULATION CRAZE.

The craze for mining speculation is unabated and seems even to be spreading, in spite of collapse of several notable schemes and other warnings within a month or two.

The craze is stimulated by exaggerated stories of results in the numerous new districts that have been opened the last few years.

Investigation makes it reasonably certain that not one out of a hundred of the mining schemes that are now so profusely advertised is based even on a half rational prospect.

It is, of course, impossible to predict just when general disillusionment will come, but speculative collapse is absolutely inevitable.

BUSINESS FAILURE LESSONS.

The business failures last year were astonishingly small, whether as regards number, amount of total liabilities or proportion to the aggregate of business firms and corporations.

The further fact is worthy of attention that the percentage of failures among firms employing small capital is materially smaller than the year before.

The failure record of last year and recent years of course does not mean that recurrence of commercial depression is impossible.

INCREASING MONEY AND FALLING MARKET.

The rapid accumulation of money in New York by return of crop advances to the interior and a tumbling stock market, carrying down the whole line of quotations, even of the standard railroad companies.

The serious truth seems to be that this very manipulation, involving the operations, the dividend declarations and the general financing of some of the greatest railroad properties the last three to six months have profoundly affected public opinion.

The saving condition, however, is that neither at home nor abroad is the conviction of the validity of our universal prosperity and of assurance of the outlook shaken at all, nor is there any-

thing to shake it. There is simply caution and withholding on the part of the general public.

Unless something at present unforeseen turns up, the controversy over the location of the gas tanks is about ended.

RAILROADS AS COAL MINE OWNERS.

Government officials sometimes move in a mysterious way their duties to perform, as illustrated, for instance, in the partial report of the Interstate Commerce commission.

The commission reports that it secured testimony showing discrimination in rates to shippers, graft among high officials, entangling alliances between mine owners and railway authorities.

All this would be decidedly promising of action looking to the abatement of one of the great evils in the fuel problems of the country.

South Omaha business men of real prudence and foresight are unanimous in the support of the Greater Omaha proposition.

The debate on the statewide primary bill indicates that there is a much deeper interest in that measure than some of its scoffing detractors would have had the public think.

Pass It Up.

How can our western contemporaries continue to prate of prosperity when New York City aldermen are quoted at \$500 a head?

Pass Up the Laurel.

As a missionary of peace and good will to all dwellers in the western hemisphere, north and south, Saxon, Celtic and Latin, Mr. Root takes the laurel.

Come High, but It's Our Size.

It costs to be a world power. The navy appropriation agreed upon by the house committee on naval affairs is \$25,000,000.

An Unconscious Humorist.

Almost the only man in the United States today, besides President Roosevelt, who gets fully reported when he delivers a speech is Chancellor Day of Syracuse.

Empty Sacks and Crime.

When Benjamin Franklin said that it is hard for an empty sack to stand straight, he spoke without foreseeing some of the disclosures of the modern grand jury.

Discrimination Against Soldiers.

The War department is quite right in refusing to accept as final the judgment of a New York state magistrate that discrimination against soldiers because of the uniform they wear is illegal.

ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Hippies on the Current of Life in the Metropolis.

Visitors to New York who have preserved mental photographs of "the finest" on duty of Broadway, by enlarging the picture two-fold will obtain an accurate perspective view of the importance of the officers on duty at the Thaw trial.

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PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

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Harriman Revolution Nip the Plans of Knockers.

The great difficulty experienced by conservative republicans of the standing of Senator Foraker and Senator Scott, who are willing to stake their own popularity on the chance of rescuing the republican party from the clutches of Rooseveltism.

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Overflowing Tear Ducts that Might Be Checked by Aetion.

The Congressional Record issued last Monday morning is filled with the appreciative lament of members of the house of representatives for the death of William H. Bates, "late a senator from the State of Tennessee." The same issue contains the belated speeches of several senators on the same subject delivered January 31, 1907.

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"My wife," complained Farmer Fodder-shucks, "is allers kikin' about somethin'." "When the sun don't shine, she gets the blues. Ah, but the ordinary copper, you know, she complains becuz it fades the carpet!"—Cleveland Leader.

THE KICKERS' CLUB.

New York Sun. They kick when it's dry, they kick when it's wet. They kick when it's warm, they kick when it's cold. They kick at the storm or the summer-time fold. They kick at the rain, they kick at the snow. They kick at the pain of the rheumatic woe. They kick at the fun and the laughter aloud. They kick at the sun and they kick at the cloud. They kick at the drink, they kick at the dust. They kick when they shrink, they kick when they bust. They kick if they fall, they kick if they rise. They kick good and tall at the stars in the skies. They kick if they're sick, they kick if they're well. They kick till the kick kicks them out of this earth.

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