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

It is about time for the ground hog to exhibit symptoms of insomnia.

Jim Hill's operating department can blame the weather man now.

The Lumber trust is to be investigated for taking to the tall timber.

Prospects are good that the Thaw fortune will be removed from the "swollen" list.

Railroad attorneys are a little slow with their claim that the car shortage is due to the operation of the Hepburn act.

It now develops that Mr. Harriman was a number of steamships, thus assuring him a water supply for his railway stock.

If Mr. Shonts makes a success of his new job on Wall street he will have to get water flowing more quickly than to did on his Panama job.

It is predicted that alcohol will soon take the place of gasoline as a motive power for automobiles.

Texas proposes to arrange a monster jack rabbit hunt. It will probably result in a bigger bag than the otocopus hunt which has been on in Texas for some months.

Jim Hill's son says everything possible is being done to get coal to the freezing residents of Montana and Dakota. In the meantime, he advised them to keep cool.

It appears that the speeches at a Gridiron dinner in Washington are no longer kept a secret any better than the proceedings of an executive session of the senate.

Carmen Sylva asserts that the heart is like a fountain pen, filled but once, but writes forever. If Carmen has a fountain pen of that kind, it is the only one ever made.

The president insists that the United States will retire from Cuba as soon as conditions there warrant it. England made a similar promise when it took possession of Egypt in 1881.

Oklahoma is arranging its constitution in response to hints from Washington, with a mental reservation that when it gets stashed it will fix up a constitution that will suit Oklahomans.

Thirty-five Omaha letter carriers will get next little sums of money for overtime work. In the meantime the clerks in the postoffice keep on working all sorts of hours for single time pay.

A New York man claims to have made \$1,000,000 by finding a new use for cottonseed oil. He's probably the man who devised the scheme of putting Italian labels on it and selling it for pure olive oil.

Governor Magoo has given a ball to 1,000 Cuban guests, and the report says that "the leaders of all the political parties were present." It may be accepted, then, that there are no more than 1,000 political parties in Cuba.

Members of the Thaw jury are allowed to read New York papers from which all references to the Thaws and the trial have been cut out.

This leaves them the department store ads, real estate transfers and the mortuary statistics.

THE PASSENGER FARE PROBLEM.

The widespread demand for a reduction in the rate of passenger fare chargeable in Nebraska is sure to be met by the present legislature.

A considerable public sentiment is backing the contention that through the abolition of the free passes and the exaction of fare from all passengers transported the railroads can well afford to make a flat 2-cent rate.

The one plan puts the burden of proof that the rate is too high upon the public and the other puts the burden of proof that the rate is too low upon the railroads.

Whatever plan should be finally adopted for Nebraska, the legislature should not make the mistake of promulgating an inflexible rate without providing some means of adjusting it by review or appeal to the peculiar conditions that may exist on particular lines or roads.

Senator Carter's speech in the senate vehemently arraigning the Interior department, and by inference the president, for precautionary measures in the issuance of patents under the land laws is unwarranted and unjust.

The executive precaution which is singled out for the special outpouring of the Montana senator's wrath is the department's order of last December, which prohibits the issuance of a patent to land under any of the land laws until after examination on the ground by a special agent.

The senator does not allege that any honest homesteader will be injured in his substantial rights by this order or any of the other restrictions.

It would, of course, precipitate an extra session of congress if some of the main appropriations, and especially the postal bill, should fall.

The fault rests with congress itself, and particularly with that element which is more than suspected of having entered upon the session with the deliberate purpose of consuming time and so bringing things about that important measures of affirmative legislation, of which there were not a few left over from the previous session or recommended by the president, could be balked.

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The gain in business of the Omaha banks during the last year is not especially surprising, but is a gratifying exhibit of the advance made by the city in all lines of material prosperity.

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Congressman Pollard proposes that, if he can help it, no congressman in the future will have as much difficulty in putting it back as he encountered.

Reports from Washington indicate, however, that he is getting very little sympathy in his effort to establish a clear back track between a congressman's pocket and the national exchequer.

The Interior department is asking bids for live stock to be furnished Indians on the reservations. Practically all of this will go to reservations where grazing is the only industry that can be successfully carried on.

Warring telephone companies have at last gotten on a proposition that they do not want to get together. Physical connection between the rival systems would so far destroy the rivalry as to render one or the other of them useless.

United States Ambassador Thompson is coming home from Mexico for a short visit at Lincoln. The fact that the new senator has been elected and other important matters proposed for relief him of any suspicion of "pernicious activity" or "undue influence."

Iowa legislators are having trouble over the anti-pass question, being uncertain just where to draw the line. A good plan for this is to copy the section from the Hepburn bill referring to the pass and let the railroads do the rest.

Washington reports that 13,000,000 men are available for military service in the United States. Washington falls, however, to furnish any figures showing the difference between availability and efficiency.

Under the pending Indian appropriation bill, white children may be admitted to Indian schools in the Indian Territory. In other words, white children are as good as Indians, if they behave themselves.

Will Wonders Ever Cease? Indianapolis News. Railroad rates reduced 10 per cent. without reducing wages? Why, this is nothing less than reform running amok!

Seeds Go with Salary. Chicago News. Free seeds will continue to be distributed by the congressmen, who cannot afford to cut them off just when they have to explain the increase in their own salaries.

Unusual Alilea Come to Grief. Chicago Chronicle. As we ventured to predict, the unnatural alliance between socialism and clericalism in Germany has come to grief, thus showing that even in politics a sacrifice of principle to expediency is a fatal policy.

Shocks Here and There. Baltimore American. Nebraska has recently been shocked by some pictures of Rubens. New York has been shocked by "Salome." Texas has been shocked by Bailey, and several other places have had to be content with a mere earthquake.

A Painful Discovery. Chicago News. When Mr. Rockefeller finished reading the Interstate Commerce commission's report on the Standard Oil company he must have been pained to think that his edifying example had had so little effect upon its morals.

Hot Topics to Handle. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The Gridiron club raised a squall by dipping into the distant future, and a row has been stirred up in clerical circles by the story of Jonah. Only a historic or post-mundane topic seem cold to handle at the present time.

Prices of the Penmenmakers. Louisville Courier-Journal. The president will get no Nobel prize for having put down the Forker rebellion, but a tape line stretched from his right ear to his left would show that his facial expression is the same that it was when that trophy was handed to him.

Enlarge the Megaphone. New York Sun. We cannot believe the report that Mr. Bryan, in a fit of indignation and indignation, is to start a magazine. He needs a morning and an evening daily, all editorial, to utter even a small part of the thoughts that arise in him.

Square Deal in Local Option. Chicago Chronicle. Local option is one of the fairest things in the universe. Great injustice is done all the time by dealing with large communities as if they were small ones.

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ROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in the Metropolis. Supplementing the marked falling off of the building record of Greater New York for 1906, compared with the preceding year, is an equally notable slump in the real estate boom.

The hardest problem ever put up to a bachelor judge is before Judge Edward J. Lauer of the municipal court. The question is whether \$7 each is an exorbitant price for four pairs of corsets and whether they are a proper fit.

Alarmed by the determination of Corporation Counsel Ellison and Attorney General Jackson to institute active proceedings to collect back franchise taxes, the Interborough Rapid Transit company turned in \$3,000,000 to the comptroller in settlement of unpaid franchise taxes from 1900 when the law went into effect, to 1904 inclusive.

An excellent opportunity to study the working of the human heart is afforded by a model put on exhibition by Dr. Carl Anderson at the scientific exposition in the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

The model is made of rubber and glass tubing. By means of pressure attachments a blood-colored liquid is sent pulsing through the various closely related chambers, and all the normal movements of the organ are reproduced as in life, and not only this, but the sounds which are heard, and sounds caused by various kinds of heart disease.

Senator La Follette of Wisconsin told a friend the other day that he had had \$1,500 clear during the last lecture season, which was a short one because congress did not adjourn until July and the political exigencies in Wisconsin demanded much of the senator's time in that state.

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Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women. Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to write Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass. for advice.

PERSONAL NOTES. Senators who attempted to take a fall out of the president discovered too late that the man in the White House eats hard-boiled eggs for breakfast.

Need of Legislation to Restrict Monopoly. Cleveland Plain Dealer. There is nothing new in the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission condemning the ownership of coal companies by railroads, but it is certainly to be hoped that if the recommendations shall be acted upon, the proposed federal legislation will prove more effective than the measures to the same end which have been tried by the states.

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