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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.

Mark Twain has purchased a farm in Connecticut. That may simply not help doing funny things.

Recent patrons of the stock market are immune from the president's criticism of swollen fortunes.

The statement by General Bates that "Cuba needs a boss" sounds like a refection upon Governor Magoon.

Judge Alton B. Parker's selection for the democratic presidential nomination is Woodrow Wilson. That's all.

The London Spectator says a man can now go around the world in forty days—providing he has the price.

Mr. Harriman's announcement that he "will give more attention to the public" may only serve to put the public on its guard.

The statement that Chinamen will not be allowed on the Panama canal may be just a bid to attract workmen from California.

Colonel Goethals took hold of the Panama canal construction on April 1 and announces that he does not consider it any joke.

The Indiana railroad managers have rescinded their vote to cut off excursion rates. The Indiana legislature must have adjourned.

Mayor Jim isn't back-tracking on his dog order. He has simply changed front and made a slight advance. "Every little bit helps."

Prospect of Uncle Sam interfering in the Nicaragua-Honduras row is not as bright as it might be if we had not already selected our canal route.

"The negro battalions are all full," says a War department report. In that case they can hardly be expected to behave any better than they do.

It is something of a reversal of form to have the railroad employees instead of the railroad managers declaring that they have nothing to arbitrate.

Omaha's third Country club starts with a list of membership that insures its success. These organizations are an excellent evidence of the growth of the social life of the city.

Tower and Tige have two more days of grace, but after that, unless Dr. Miller's appeal to the court should prevail, they will have to wear their nuzzles when they appear in public.

Irish organizations are still protesting against the caricatured stage Irishman. Speaker Cannon should take notice that one very considerable portion of the population is refusing to stand pat.

The Atlanta Journal says that "signs point to Taft as the republican nominee in 1908." It is up to Messrs. Fairbanks, Cortelyou, Shaw, Root, Cummins, Foraker, et al. to declare that they do not believe in signs.

That Tennessee uprising for a third term for President Roosevelt might have more weight at the White House if Tennessee did not have a habit of having her electoral vote counted in the democratic column.

Former Senator Burton's contention that President Roosevelt can send a United States senator to jail because of a personal prejudice rather loses its force in view of the fact that Senator Foraker is still at liberty.

THE THREATENED RAILWAY STRIKE.

Arbitration is seldom wholly satisfactory, as it depends naturally upon concessions by both parties to a dispute, yet the entire country will hope earnestly that this method, or something equally as effective, will be employed as a means of averting the threatened strike of railway employes on all the lines west of Chicago.

Without reference to the merits of the controversy, the employers and employes both owe a duty to the country in the settlement of the dispute between them. A strike at this time would enforce idleness on the part of not only 50,000 trainmen involved in the dispute, but probably ten times that number whose employment depends upon activity in the transportation business of the country.

Voluntary arbitration is a principle of intelligent unionism and a plan that appeals to the public. The Erdman act, adopted by congress nine years ago, offers a solution of the problem of providing the machinery for arbitration in such cases as that now pending.

THE WORLD'S BREAKFAST.

An interesting report comes from Birmingham, England, to the effect that the Canadian bacon supply has been cut off, owing to the increased demand for home consumption, and that England is now dependent almost entirely upon the United States for its choice English breakfast bacon.

The latest available statistics from the Department of Agriculture, for the fiscal year 1905, show that the United States exported 262,246,635 pounds of cured bacon, valued at \$25,428,951; 203,458,724 pounds of cured hams, valued at \$21,562,204, and salted and pickled hog meat, valued at \$9,412,034.

Like sea sickness, one subject brings up another, and the thought of all that bacon, turning crisp and savory in the pan, naturally arouses curiosity as to where the foreigners get their eggs. They have hens, of course, but their output is unequal to the demand and America in 1905 exported 2,457,844 dozen of more or less fresh eggs, valued at \$543,880.

THE CENTRAL AMERICAN WAR.

Americans have been accustomed to look upon Central American revolutions and French duels as innocent pastimes that seldom resulted in anything more serious than good-natured stories used by newspapers to fill space in dull seasons, but the Central American war now in progress is assuming a more serious aspect.

The natural hope, however, is that a Central American union may result from the conflict. Under existing conditions Central America is further away than Asia, so far as American trade is concerned, but with the completion of the Panama canal and the development of Atlantic and Pacific coast traffic, the Central American states will be neighbors and it is hoped, good patrons of the United States.

A MONUMENT OF GRAFF.

Extraordinary Loot in Furnishing Pennsylvania's Capitol. The investigation conducted by a state commission into the charges of fraud and theft in the cost of "furnishing" the new capitol of Pennsylvania has progressed far enough to give a clear idea of the magnitude of the swindle perpetrated on the state.

As originally planned, the capitol building was completed for the sum of \$4,000,000, the price limit fixed by the legislature. The capitol building commission then ceased to exist. A permanent committee, known as the capitol building chairs and furniture committee, consisting of the governor, attorney general and state treasurer, took hold and proceeded to finish the building.

The commission's experts have shown that while Sanderson paid \$20,000 for a certain group of furnishings he was enabled, through the unique system of "per foot" and "per pound" measurements and weights, to charge the state \$155,969.80. It was proven, too, that painting and decorating \$1,200 feet of walls and ceilings cost the state \$70,473.16, while it should have cost only \$164,473.88.

LET DOGS DELIGHT.

The fatal weakness with alienists is the limited viewpoint. The expert specialist who decides that a certain remedy will cure certain ills at once becomes stubborn and insists upon the administration of his prescription, apparently without thought or care of greater ills that may follow the eradication of a lesser evil.

The fatal accident on the street car line at South Omaha is a painful reminder that transportation by trolley has not been perfected entirely as yet. The public must share with the company in the responsibility for the wreck, which seems to have been due more to the crowding of the car at the "rush hour" than to any other cause.

The Nebraska state senate is standing firm between the treasury and the raiders. It has made a splendid record in other ways, and now seems ready to top off its work by preventing extravagant and useless expenditure of public money.

Hon. Charles A. Towne has gone to the Philippines to engage in business. It must be said for Towne that he is the last of the insurgents to surrender, as he refused to return to the reservation for several months after Aguinaldo had buried his tomahawk and began drawing rations.

Thursday has been tentatively suggested as the day for final adjournment of the legislature. Unless the body breaks the record again, it is quite likely that Thursday at the capitol will last pretty well over into Saturday.

A Lost Opportunity.

Ruef of San Francisco must regard it as one of the wasted opportunities of life that he did not locate in Pennsylvania and get a capitol contract.

Modern Wisdom and Words.

Oklahoma's newly drawn constitution is a document of a hundred thousand words. And yet the fathers of the republic managed to write a good deal of constitutional wisdom that endures into one-twentieth of that length.

Contestees for the "Dear Public."

The western railroads have created a new office, whose holder is known by the name of "the general public." It is to be the duty of this new official to travel over the lines of his company to see how passengers are treated.

Responsibility for Railroad Accidents.

The indictment for manslaughter of the general superintendent and one of the vice presidents of the New York Central railroad may mark the beginning of a new era in the way of holding high railroad officers responsible for railroad accidents. The increasing frequency of fatal accidents and the disposition of officers to make scapegoats of subordinates or to deny any responsibility whatever, has caused a rapid growth of public opinion that the responsibility for accidents should be fixed somewhere near the fountain head of authority.

CHARLEY TOWNE'S SURRENDER.

Hon. Charles A. Towne is going to the Philippines for a residence of several years, as attorney and representative of certain financial interests that have large investments in the island. The announcement is significant in view of Towne's record on the Philippine question. He is a man of strong conviction, one of the most eloquent speakers in the nation, and happiest when in the very forefront of an oratorical battle.

Treasurer Brian's report for March shows a very comfortable condition of the state's funds. It also shows where the deposits are kept. The interesting feature is that almost a million and a half of the permanent school fund is invested in state warrants which will soon be discharged and leave the principal open to reinvestment.

The clash between Messrs. Walsh and Cone is not surprising. Mr. Cone has proved very exasperating since the opening of the session, and his fellow members have borne with him with much patience. It is characteristic of his tactics that he called Mr. Walsh a liar, but the people of Nebraska who have watched the course of proceedings will be able to judge between these two fairly on their merits.

The McKinley club's annual election of new officers calls attention to the fact that this organization has prospered in a way that has exceeded the expectations of its most sanguine founders. The club now finds itself not only an active factor in the politics of the city and state, but with a neat balance in its treasury and an interest among its membership that means its continued success.

There is a "mahogany" rostrum in the senate caucus room, another in the house caucus room. They are monstrously big, and only natural that they should be monstrously big. Containing about 5,000 feet of "mahogany," Sanderson received them from the state \$30,748.80.

The gilded capitals of plasters in the lower corridors, beautiful to the eye, and it has been discovered, of plaster of Paris. A considerable amount of "brass" ornament is painted composition. Some of the "leather" covered chairs are really pantosote.

The capitol is lighted electrically by 2,500 bronze chandeliers, brackets and standards. For these \$128,000 was paid Sanderson. Some single fixtures cost \$30.00 each. They were charged and paid for by the pound. Sanderson had agreed to make them for \$4.8 per pound. Since it is manifestly unmaterial to set up on so sordid and material a basis, Mr. Sanderson adjusted the bill by adding his chandeliers, making them not only enormous in size, but sold throughout.

A subcontractor testified that he set up a bookcase stand in the senate lavatory and charged the Sanderson company \$15 for the work and materials. The books in the state auditor's office show that the state paid the company \$1.69 for the stand. The same witness swore that he furnished the desks for the senate chamber for \$2 each and that the house of representatives for \$7m to \$75 each. The state paid the Sanderson company \$24.60 for every senate desk and \$36.72 apiece for the house desks.

The mahogany case in the senate barber shop was purchased by the Sanderson company for \$25 and the state paid the company \$1,500 for it. For certain other furnishings and work a bill for \$4,146 was rendered the company by the subcontractor. The records show the price paid by the state was \$24,664.00.

The ruthless granger resper has gathered in James Henry Smith, a New Yorker worth \$200,000, who was on his honeymoon trip in the vicinity of Tokio. In middle life, just married for the first time, a charming bride, quartered in his own seagotting yacht and sailing around the world at a comfortable pace—everything that a mortal might crave to insure happiness and content. Yet the cruel resper mounted the bridge and scattered cements of woe in the salon of pleasure as readily as in the homes of toil.

The Milwaukee Republican. Judges of the lower United States courts continue to divide on the question whether the federal employers' liability law is constitutional or not. At the moment the line-up stands three to two in favor of constitutionality.

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COMMERCIALISM AT THE BAR.

Philadelphia Ledger. The recent statute, providing that the county shall pay the attorneys for the defense in homicide cases when the defendants are unable to employ counsel elicited from Judge Newcomb of Scranton, some just and wholesome reflections on the commercializing tendencies which are affecting the bar and its honorable reputation.

The lawyer's proudest claim to distinction is the profession of his chivalrous devotion to a great and honorable profession, having for its object the administration of equal and impartial justice. The ancient theory that the member of the bar is the friend of the court and of justice seems to be losing ground.

Hereafter only bachelors will be eligible for entitment in the state constabulary in Pennsylvania, and all who become beneficiaries will be honorably discharged. P. K. Yoon, the first student who has ever come to Harvard from Corea, has just registered at the university. He has lived for some time in Hawaii and speaks English with scarcely any hesitation.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Adlai E. Stevenson, one of the two living presidents, puts in most of his time traveling about the country, visiting relatives, whose name is legion, particularly in the south. He stays but little at his comfortable but unpretentious home in Bloomington, Ill.

Colonel Hugh Scott, who has been more successful than any man in the army in capturing savage chiefs, both in this country and the Philippines, owes part of his prowess to his remarkable understanding of the sign language as used by the American Indians.

The Japanese legislature has adopted a resolution refusing the request of Oregon to allow the ashes of Captain Meriwether Lewis, the famous explorer, to be taken to that state for interment. Captain Lewis is buried in Lewis county, Tennessee, where the state has erected a monument to his memory.

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BRIGHT AND BRISK.

"Explosion of a cargo of soap," read Tired Thomas, who had picked up a discarded paper. "There, exclaimed his traveling companion, 'always told you that stuff was dangerous.'—Philadelphia Ledger.

"You know a loving word can medicine most ills, can't it?" "Why not?" "Because loving words do not usually happen to be drugs in the market."—Baltimore American.

"Well, I finally summed up the course to speak to her father last night. I told you, it was a great relief." "Oh, what did he say?" "Oh, you misunderstood me. He wasn't in."—Washington Herald.

"Father," said the small boy, "what is a scientist?" "A scientist, my son, is a man who calls ordinary things by such long names that you can't recognize them."—Chicago Record-Herald.

With our foreman at home about three times, a printer in the Blountville jail half shot, another in the office not worth shooting. The Comet is issued under great difficulties this week.—Tennessee Comet.

"Colonel Allgrove seems to be taking quite a shine to the rich widow of a plume manufacturer." "No, she's taking a shine to him. He told me the other day, with a very fancy, that she was his soul mate."—Chicago Tribune.

"Don't you think," said young Dudgeon, "that at the fancy ball I would out quite a figure as Hercules?" "I don't doubt," answered his maiden aunt, "but I hardly think you would be considered good form."—Baltimore American.

"The way to get on," said the business man, "is to conduct your operations on a 'cash' basis." "Not in politics," answered Senator Sorghum. "Promises are just as effectual as cash and not nearly so dangerous."—Washington Star.

SPRING POET'S APOLOGY.

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Who could help it, if a particle of nature, instead of his soul? All the sights and sounds of music, blent in one harmonious what an effectual as cash and not nearly so dangerous."—Washington Star.

All the busy landscape's dreamin' like a baby till old mother nature gives another gentle shake. Hope and courage shine in every winter weary human face.

And the willows don't a tinge of gold that lends a kingly grace; Fear of cold and snow have vanished from each glad sun-lover's breast. And we cast aside our worries at instant spring's delight.

(Never mind, I've got it written, and the agony is gone.— For 't was not in the spring poems when I feel it comin' on.)

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