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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 24th day of April, 1908. ROBERT H. HUNTER, Notary Public.

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

The Sultan of Turkey would rather be bluffed than bluffed. Anyway, the Aldrich bill produced a lot of change in both the senate and the house.

Jack London is being mentioned as a candidate for the presidency on the socialist ticket. Another "Call of the Wild."

"How to Know Rabies" is the title of a treatise by a government expert. Thank you, but there is no desire for an introduction.

Helen Gould's exemplary life and conduct must cause regret that more members of the family did not decide to remain single.

Mr. Pharr, the republican candidate for governor of Louisiana, made his name good in the recent election by not getting within seeing distance.

One Lutinski won the lightweight championship of the feet in a boxing bout at Los Angeles. That's all right. His name is Lutinski, not Butinski.

The Chicago News says it is cheaper to build battleships in bunches than to go to war. Perhaps, but congress insists that it is cheaper to do neither.

Police raided a poker joint in St. Louis and found two of the players hiding in coffins. Experienced poker players always know how to put up a stiff game.

An Indiana man died last week from blood poisoning caused by a copper cent which he swallowed sixty years ago. It is dangerous to hoard money that way.

An American gunboat is to be sent to Venezuelan waters on account of the outbreak there of the bubonic plague. It is hardly fair to call Castro names like that.

The talk of dividing Texas into two states is being renewed. With Cecil Lyon and George Green the republican party would be able to furnish a member for each of the two states.

A pastor at Middletown, N. Y., has preached a sermon denouncing progressive euhre. It is interesting as showing that communities still exist where progressive euhre is played.

It is proposed to build a memorial to the children who lost their lives in the fire at the Cleveland schools. The best memorial for a case of that kind would be fireproof school buildings.

There is a growing demand, according to a consular report, for American dried apples in France. The average American will be willing to let the French have his share of dried apples—also of dried prunes.

If Johnson and Gray are nominated at Denver Bryan will defeat the ticket," says the Cincinnati Enquirer. Johnson and Gray may be expected to do the same thing if Bryan is nominated, so the party may know what to expect.

The city council of Paterson, N. J., has passed an ordinance prohibiting the use of posters of chorus girls in fights on local billboards and also placing the ban on bills portraying plays of the blood and thunder type. The ordinance placing the ban on meetings of anarchists is still awaiting action.

MR. TAFT'S MISSION TO PANAMA.

Secretary Taft has been ordered on a hurried trip to Panama to exercise his ability as a diplomat in preventing one of those Latin-American blow-ups that are very serious to the hot-headed citizens of the tropics, however much they may look like opera bouffe to the subjects of Uncle Sam.

Panama claims that the town of Jurado is four miles north of the southern boundary of Panama. Colombia insists that Jurado is at least twelve miles within Colombian lines and has accordingly taken possession of the town.

The situation is not one to menace the peace, safety or life of the American republic, but it holds the possibilities for more or less trouble among the Latin-American countries unless the differences can be settled diplomatically.

WEALTH AND THE WAGE EARNERS.

The census bureau publication on "Wealth, Debt and Taxation," which gives doubtless what is the most careful and accurate estimate ever made of the total wealth of the United States, furnishes the basis for a most elaborate study by a writer in the Engineering News of the dividends earned in this country by capital and labor.

The total value of all property in the United States, according to the census bulletin, in 1900 was \$88,500,000,000. This had increased in 1904 to \$107,000,000,000, in round numbers.

The action of the federal circuit court of appeals, although not the highest tribunal, would indicate that the railroads will be disappointed in their expectations, if they really expect the federal courts to transfer the control of all transportation, intrastate as well as interstate, to the federal authorities by accepting their new theory of rate making.

HOUSES OF OUR PRESIDENTS.

The home of President McKinley, in Canton, O., has been sold for \$20,000. Memorials costing many times that sum have been erected to the memory of McKinley.

sidered, \$450 per annum seems to be as low a figure as can reasonably be estimated as the earnings of the average worker. On this basis it is calculated that the total earnings of the laborers and wage earners would amount to \$10,340,000,000 a year, as compared with \$3,534,000,000 earned yearly by capital.

THE ASSET OF GOOD FELLOWSHIP.

In a few brief words addressed to a small gathering at a noonday luncheon last week Michael Cudahy, the head of a great family of industrial captains that has become rooted in Omaha and Kansas City as well as in Chicago, said that the greatest promise of Omaha's future greatness lay in the growing manifestation of good fellowship and co-operation among its active business men.

The remarks of Mr. Cudahy may be taken as a reminder that good fellowship is a factor in building up the reputation of the cities as it is in building up the popularity of individuals.

AN IMPORTANT POINT.

The recent refusal of the federal circuit court of appeals to order the issue of the writ of injunction asked for by the railroads to prevent the Nebraska State commission from taking up the matter of grain rate reduction involves a point of great importance which has thus far escaped public attention.

ALL NATIONS TO SEEK THE POLE.

The United States has selected a delegate to participate in an international polar congress to be held in Berlin in May. The object of the congress is stated to be to unite the nations in planning and carrying out some practical scheme to reach the North Pole.

AMERICA IN THE ORIENT.

By establishing the division of far eastern affairs in the State department, Secretary Root has taken another step toward completion of his plan to place our consular service on a sound business basis and make it what it was intended to be, an organization for the promotion of American trade throughout the world.

SECTULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Chicago Record-Herald: Did anyone ever know a man to be converted and saved while he was sitting behind a big hat? Washington Herald: A Boston clergyman has asked that his salary be reduced from \$2,500 per annum to 1,500.

Congress has been as slow as the state of Virginia to take any interest in the title to the property, and the fact that it has been preserved at all is a tribute to patriotic American women.

STREET CARS FOR WOMEN.

Patrons of American street cars will carefully watch the experiment which the London county council has decided to try in running street cars "for women only" at certain hours of the day and on certain lines.

It is possible that the London authorities have hit upon a happy solution of a much vexed problem. The reverse of it has been tried in this country with most disappointing results.

The managers of the railways took it for granted that the women would respect the reservations made for the men, only to be surprisingly disappointed.

A DIFFICULT TASK.

Members of congress will have to work phenomenally hard between now and adjournment to prove to a suspicious public that they are worth \$2,500 a year more than heretofore.

A BIG STEK AS AN ASSET.

Mr. Hans Wagner, the Pittsburgh ball player, will receive \$10,000 for playing this summer. Mr. Wagner is one of the eminent gentlemen who have succeeded by carrying big steaks.

BOOSTING OVER THE FENCE.

Notwithstanding his vigor as efforts to bust the Paper trust—without disturbing business—none of the newspaper publishers now gathered in New York seem to be boosting the Cannon boom much.

HUMAN CLODS.

It may seem a brutal view to take, but in this twentieth century the man who does not so strengthen his brain and train his hand as to rise above the dead level of the unskilled mass will remain a clod, and until the day of his death will be trodden upon.

THE "CURSE" OF MONEY.

A young millionaire in sore domestic trouble speaks bitterly of "the curse of money." Money is not a curse; on the contrary, it is one of the greatest blessings.

A SHARP DISTINCTION.

Mr. Bryan is entirely within his rights in drawing a distinction between himself as a candidate and as editor of the Commoner, in the matter of the charges that have been made against him.

AMERICANIZED ALIENS.

Among immigrants the process of Americanization is extraordinary swift. When the late Prof. Boyesen went to Minnesota he was surprised to find that his fellow Scandinavians preferred to speak English to him, and it was explained that the use of their native tongue would reveal their peasant origin.

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trade fields lost to this country through the inefficiency of our consular agents.

Secretary Root has succeeded in having most of the consuls placed under the civil service list and, for several years, promotions and transfers have been made on merit and frequently as the result of competitive examinations.

Chairman Tawney of the house committee on appropriations had his back wrenched in a street car accident at Washington. His colleagues are sorry, of course, but many of them who have been trying to get appropriations through have an idea that Mr. Tawney's backbone needed a loosening up.

Standard Oil stock has advanced from 390 to 533 since Judge Landis imposed that \$29,240,000. This makes a gain of \$193,000,000 in the market value of the stock, but the company shows no greater disposition to pay the fine now than before.

A Chicago club woman wants every small boy taught to salute a policeman as he passes. The small boy needs no instruction. He knows how to salute a policeman, especially if the policeman is too fat to put up much of a foot race.

London does not understand George Ade's "College Widow," now being presented there. Ade should not present one of his comedies in London without supplying each ticket buyer with a glossary of American humor.

Secretary Taft has been ordered to Panama to adjust the differences between Panama and Colombia. Democrats and reactionaries will be certain to accuse him of being absent from Washington on a political mission.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

A million dollar rain at the right time is just right. Daily receipts from the strawberry belt give optimists their joy and pessimists their groans.

Somebody wonders why fat men strut and look fierce. One reason is they are always loaded.

The puffs of compressed atmosphere cavorting hereabouts merely advertise the superior qualities of Nebraska's spring. Wonders multiply as the world humps along. Coney Island nailed down the lid last Sunday and 7,000 visitors contented themselves by listening to what the wild waves were saying.

A tiny mouse, with a lovely little tail, threw 99 women into panic in a Cincinnati theater. A large number of "merry widows" were shockingly mangled in the stampede. "Ta a poor mouse that cannot do some good."

A Chicago editor, in extolling the inward charms of hash, "three times a day," displays the cleverest pen work in prose and poetry ever inspired by a mysterious subject. His picture is not printed, but it's a ten-to-one shot he looks it.

Wyoming trout are taking the bait greedily. A fool dog which wagged its tail on the edge of a ripping stream had several inches of the appendage nipped off by a hungry fish. Wyoming dogs, usually built for bear, should receive piscatorial training.

A Mrs. Cherry blithely blew into an Illinois court with a petition for a large bunch of alimony from a well-to-do man whom she alleged, was her common law husband. When the testimony was digested the court lecture and a lemon.

Charles H. Gray will become general manager of Frank A. Munsey's newspapers—the Baltimore News, the Boston Journal and the Washington Times. "A part of my purpose in the purchase of the Baltimore News," said Mr. Munsey, "was to add the man who built up that paper to my forces."

"The meeting of newspaper editors in Florida this week," says the Kansas City Times, "is the first to be held under the anti-pass system. It may be a matter of disappointment as well as surprise to the railroad politicians when they learn that it has been the most successful meeting in the history of the association."

Boston Transcript: It is difficult to see how any spiritual end could be gained by having the members of congregations who cannot sing undertake to whistle the hymns, as a Pittsburgh pastor suggests, but such attempts would undoubtedly enliven the services.

Baltimore American: A clergyman has discovered that women are responsible for war, because they enjoy seeing men in uniform. At the same time, they cannot be said to be responsible for music for the same reason, yet there are plenty of hand uniforms that have much more gold lace on them than the uniforms of the army or navy.

Springfield Republican: In a sermon to a negro congregation in Baltimore on Sunday Cardinal Gibbons hid metaphors upon which Hampton Institute and Booker T. Washington's school at Tuskegee have long insisted upon—the necessity of a proper home life. Cardinal Gibbons pointed out that it is possible to greatly improve the home conditions among the negro race, leading to better parental control and training, even with the meager income that most of them are restricted to. The home should be the nursery of good citizenship.

DIAMONDS ON CREDIT NOW IS THE TIME Right Now—not tomorrow, nor next week... MANDELBERG'S Omaha's Leading Jeweler. 1522 Farnam St.

SERMONS BOILED DOWN. He is good natured whose nature it is to do good. Faith in God without friendship with man is like poetry without print.

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FIND PEOPLE wearing glasses that are an injury to their eyes. Some defect was overlooked. Our Test Leaves No Defects Undiscovered

WHEN YOU ARE OLD. When you are old and gray and full of And nodding by the fire, take down this book. And slowly read, and dream of the soft look

WE WANT SKEPTICS TO HEAR THE KIMBALL We invite critical attention to the Kimball, for it is a piano of quality. Sweet, artistic tone, well balanced scale, highly responsive action are Kimball characteristics.