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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.

Naturally, no congressman likes to be overshadowed.

J. Worth Kern might write a book before trying again.

The 1919 styles in personal taxes in New York have the old reliable perjury trimmings.

At any rate, congress has not secured the secret service men for loafing on their jobs.

Senator Hopkins will learn today whether the political gullotine is to be restored in Illinois.

Poor "Billy" Thompson! On the political boards he has become the two orphans all in one.

John Worth Kern is getting a little tired of having Indiana hail him as a favorite son and treat him as a step-son.

A Pennsylvania butcher has made a sausage sixty-seven feet long. Evidently built on the dachshund pattern.

If Omaha and South Omaha are to figure in the next census as the Greater Omaha, someone will have to get busy pretty soon.

Whitelaw Reid says he will remain as ambassador to England or retire—just as Mr. Taft wishes. That's real diplomacy for you.

Apparently too many senators and congressmen have accepted too literally the sentiment of, "This is my own, my native land."

Chicago doubtless realizes by this time that in the matter of the wool market Omaha declines to have the wool pulled over its eyes.

If any liquor dealer thinks our municipal year begins May 1 let him try to do business on last year's license and see what happens to him.

A Connecticut genius has bred a duck without a breastbone. It may now be possible to have duck for dinner with the preacher as a guest.

If the "Jims" want an appointive police board, the "Jacks" want an elective police board. Count on each for wanting what the other does not.

An Indianapolis paper says that John Worth Kern never eats fruit. What, then, does he do with all those lemons that have been handed to him.

The Water board lawyers have only milked the city treasury to the tune of \$54,000. Any wonder they advise starting new law suits every little while?

A prohibition law has been passed in Tennessee. As a result the mountaineers will have to confine themselves to moonshine instead of "store whisky."

Colonel Waterston has come out with a stirring defense of Senator Tillman. It will be remembered, too, that Colonel Bryan has thoroughly vindicated Governor Haskell of Oklahoma.

The Omaha Water board has spent \$100,000 of the taxpayers' money, first in trying to buy the water works, and second, in trying to avoid buying them. What are we going to do about it?

PARTISAN NONPARTISANSHIP.

The so-called judicial appointments of Governor Shallenberger in contrast with those of Governor Sheldon merely emphasize the political animus back of the whole demo-pop attack on the supreme court. Governor Sheldon, in all named five judges to the enlarged supreme bench, while Governor Shallenberger has named four judges. Three of Shallenberger's four judges are included in Sheldon's five. On the surface the only difference comes down, then, to a disagreement over one place and over the length of term which one of the Sheldon appointees should have.

So far as partisanship goes, Governor Shallenberger's action is more strictly partisan than that of his predecessor. The whole controversy over the judgeships from its very inception has been a political play instituted by disappointed officeholders and promoted by small-bore democratic politicians seeking to manufacture political capital for the next campaign.

LAW AND THE WATER WAGON.

The legislature of Oklahoma is in session and its members are industriously engaged in the laudable effort of providing regulation for everything under the sun not regulated by provisions of the supposedly all-embracing state constitution. It appears that some things were omitted from that remarkable document, and the legislative repair gang is now on the job.

NEBRASKA AND THE CARNEGIE FUND.

The Bee unqualifiedly favors the University of Nebraska perfecting its right to share the benefits of the Carnegie foundation.

CONSERVING WATER POWER.

President Roosevelt's veto of a bill authorizing a company to construct a dam across the James river in Missouri for developing electric power is in perfect keeping with public sentiment in favor of preserving the natural resources of the country for the benefit of the whole people.

OREGON AND ILLINOIS.

Two states present senatorial situations greatly resembling one another, but yet receiving very different treatment in current discussion.

In Oregon, under the so-called "Oregon plan," Governor Chamberlain as the democratic candidate, received the popular endorsement for United States senator, first, from his own party at the primary, and, again, at the general election, over his republican competitor.

In Illinois the primary vote and, likewise, the vote at the general election, resulted in favor of Senator A. J. Hopkins, seeking re-election.

Wouldn't This Jar You?

A bill has been introduced in the Nebraska legislature to create a commission to inspect the beds and bedding of all the hotels and boarding houses in the state.

Jolting the Landlords.

The Nebraska bill, which would require the airing of the bedding in all hotels once in every three months and the changing of the bed linen occasionally, doesn't look so excessively exacting and unreasoning in society.

Party Ingratitude.

Mr. Kern seems to get everything but the reward. When his party has a forlorn hope he is called on to lead it, between times he is asked to lend a hand.

Is 65 a Fair Dead Line?

But will a fixed age limit rid the schools of senile professors? It is a question that has been asked by many of the students.

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The Strength of a Bank. It is judged partly by the amount of money invested by its stockholders in the form of Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits. These give security to the depositor because that money stands between the depositor and any possible loss in the value of the securities held by a bank.

HYMENAEAL EXAMINATIONS. Kearney Hub: Sheldon's marriage recommendation in his closing message should be referred to the Nebraska State Medical association with power to act. It is high time that a medical certificate accompany a license to marry.

SMILING LINES. Raynor—What have you done with all your Christmas presents? Shyne—Made a large, cold bowl of lemonade.—Chicago Tribune.

THE MEASURE OF TOIL. J. W. Foley in Philadelphia Ledger. It was only a step on a summer day. To the creek and the rock where the spring board lay.

OLD STORAGE STATESMANSHIP. Importance of Changing Date of Meeting of New Congress. The representative in congress does not become a legislator until a year and a month after he has been chosen to office.

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Dr. Lyon's PERFECT Tooth Powder. Cleanses, beautifies and preserves the teeth and purifies the breath. Used by people of refinement for almost Half a Century.

ALL IN ONE BOAT. We have brought together some odds and ends of Boys' Suits. There are 75—sizes 8 to 16 [mostly large sizes]. They sold formerly from \$5.00 to \$10.00. Take your choice now at \$3.75. Plain double breasted two-piece straight pant suits. Cut in Half. We have 50 boys' overcoats, sizes 10 to 14, which we will sell at one-half their former price.