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W. P. WALKER, Notary Public.

WHEN OUT OF TOWN.
Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them. Address will be changed as often as requested.

Just now the American war cloud has a steel lining, "made in Pittsburgh."

The Bond cabinet in New Foundland has resigned. In other words the bond are free.

Still, it is not believed that congress can scare Mr. Taft by abusing Mr. Roosevelt.

"What are the most popular things in the shops today?" asks a subscriber. Customers.

This is the last day that congress will have a chance to refuse to be T. R. -actable.

The Japanese have adopted the plug hat but are still too fastidious to take to the green hat.

Another big cut in the price of structural steel. Now is the time to build your skyscrapers.

It is fitting that "The Heir of the Hurrah" should be on at a Washington theater this week.

Lake navigation will open earlier than usual this year. There will be more business than usual this year.

July wheat is 15 cents a bushel cheaper than May wheat, if the consumer can find any comfort in the fact.

A 19-year-old girl in St. Louis has married a 30-year-old millionaire. He was probably the oldest one she could find.

It is said that all the sailors on the battleships are base ball fans. That may explain how they made such a fine home run.

It is positively denied from Lincoln that Mr. Bryan is writing a novel, which does not mean that he has quit writing-fiction.

Over 15,000 persons have been invited to a Yale smoker in honor of Mr. Taft. What does the Tobacco trust think about that?

Arizona and New Mexico must remember that it is the new congress that is pledged to recognize their claims to statehood.

A Kentucky editor has been sent to prison for criticizing the murders committed by night riders. The night riders escaped punishment.

It is predicted that the special session of congress will complete its work by June 1. It will if the Washington weather observes precedents.

"Let the people rule," was a great campaign slogan, but it develops that the people in order to rule must agree with Bryan's kitchen cabinet.

Prof. Munsterberg says there are not enough bookstores in this country. Considering the kind of books most of them carry there are bookstores enough.

E. H. Harriman has declined to address the Texas legislature. This is the difference between a man who knows how to run a railroad and one who does not.

Another bill has passed congress permitting a bridge across the Missouri river at or near Council Bluffs. This is a part of the regular congressional routine, but some day the bridge may be built.

The Roosevelt Record.

It can not be hoped or expected that there will be anything like unanimity or even close agreement in the judgments that will be passed by men when Theodore Roosevelt leaves the White House at noon tomorrow and goes back to the people after more than seven year's experience as president of the United States.

None will deny that the Roosevelt administration has been one of achievement, new ventures, an expanding of the national idea and the arousing of the spirit of true democracy among the people, with the result of bringing the public and the government into more intimate relations than ever before in the nation's history.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

The fifteenth son in the fifteenth year has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Chris Roller of Noble township, Cass county, Indiana. Texas finds that it can collect fines against trusts, and so has raised them from \$50 to \$1,500 a day in order to make collecting really worth while.

Booker T. Washington says he has recently seen an inventory of the old plantation where he was a slave, and his name appeared there under a value of \$400. A postal card mailed at Gibraltar and addressed simply "Spelled either way, Springfield, Mass., U. S. A.," was promptly delivered to Otto Baab, a piano dealer of that city.

It should be noted that the quinquennial prize of \$1,000 founded by the Frenchman Anquard for the best work in "Americanist" literature has been won by a Berlin anthropologist named Seiler. President Roosevelt, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and Gifford Pinchot, government forester, are now all fulfilled "farmers," having just been admitted "on sight" to membership in the National Farmers' union.

That Mr. Taft's smile does not imply the absence from his vocabulary of "No," with all its derivatives, synonyms and equivalents, is the conclusion of a writer in the Saturday Evening Post. And it shows that he knows Taft. Bug House Hose of Freeport, Long Island, not only must behave in the inaugural parade because the committee in charge says so, but it is natural for it to present a startling contrast between its name and the sobriety of its members.

POEMS IN PROSE.

Barryard Melody of Nebraska's Chanticleer. Collier's Weekly. The hen admires grow. Constant is their increase. The first official act of Nebraska's new labor commissioner was a formal appreciation of this pillar of society.

By the notes of jubilation From the first returning robin; By the way the whole creation Seems with expectation throbbin'; By the way a feller feels, By the way his bones are achin'— I declare spring's on the way, er— I'm mistaken.

By the boys a playin' "migs" On the dry spots here and there; By the way the housewife digs At the dust in dire despair; By the dinginess within, By the outdoor joys that lure— Well—we know that spring is near us— This time, sure.

By the sweet scent-laden breeze From the south that greets the nose; By the trouble that we have Some times even to think in prose; By the rare exuberance, That thro' our whole being flows; Yes we're sure that spring is near us— Till it snows.

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