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Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them.

Mayor Jim evidently has not changed his opinion of his excellency, King Ashton.

Old Sol and the auto speed maniacs seem to be engaged in a competitive scorching race.

Oyster Bay may be in temporary eclipse, but it will come out of the shadow in due time.

The promised reorganization of the navy will have a good starting point at the Annapolis Naval Academy.

Before he starts for Seattle Governor Shallenberger should have his money sewed to the inside of his vest.

That democratic slogan, "Home Rule for Omaha," needs amendment by adding the words, "by way of Lincoln."

Officers of the Marine corps are undoubtedly brave and efficient soldiers, but Mrs. Sutton has obviously set their nerves a-trembling.

Instead of collecting money for their oratory, those chautauqua lecturers ought to pay people to listen to them in this sort of weather.

Training in the tropics makes the shocking weather in the east less distressing to the president than to most men in the summer resort district.

Without doubt Secretary Knox loves Taft the more since the president taught him the seamstress of exchanging a dignified silk hat for a Panama in summer.

The nearest a Nebraskan comes to drawing first prize in the Coeur d'Alene land lottery is No. 57. The really lucky Nebraskan is the one who draws land here in Nebraska.

Wall street ventures the opinion that the tariff is not settled and will not be until a few more revisions are introduced. But one tariff revision in a decade has heretofore sufficed.

Strange that nonpartisan democrats should be running for state offices only, while those chasing democratic nominations on local tickets think it necessary to boast their partisanship.

Eastward the general counsel of the Mobile, Jackson & Kansas City railroad carries the report of reviving prosperity. Is this the giant corporation once known as the "doodlebug"?

Governor Shallenberger has come and gone without explaining how he happened to have \$130 on his person when he was touched over in Iowa and the legislature adjourned for more than three months.

All of us remember Livermore, the youthful cotton king of a few days' reign. The transfer of his yacht reminds us that a short cotton crop will soon produce a fresh lot of Livermores, Sullys and Prices.

Everyone who takes a look at Nebraska's overflowing fields this year is inspired with unbounded confidence in the imminence of an unprecedented era of prosperity in this section. Nebraska farmers will be customers worth having.

Government reports make a high estimate of coming crop yields. Corn, hay, wheat, oats and tobacco will show heavy production. Cotton prices will be unusually high. Add the cantaloupe and huckleberry prospects and bulging prosperity seems assured.

The Irrigation Congress.

Delegates to the National Irrigation Congress abate nothing of their faith in the cause for which they meet, but they are frank enough to concede that a meeting of congratulation and eulogy once a year is not the way to reach the best results.

Nobody disputes that, with perfection of waterways transportation and reclamation of arid land by irrigation, this nation has in the control of interior waters one of its most stupendous and pressing problems. The reward is not at all visionary.

The deliberations of the congress, especially upon subjects which have an element of controversy, deserve the closest public attention and should have a potent influence on future legislation.

Redemption of the South.

In a tangible measure, the disappearance of bitter and obstinate political feeling in the south during Mr. Taft's term depends on exchanging the political harangue for the active dollar.

And the gain of correct and active business habits depends on the contribution of the negro. He has already contributed a decided and increasing share.

Industrially the negro is more potent than his general reputation makes him. There are not only negro carpenters, but negro contractors; not only negro plowmen and cotton pickers, but wealthy negro farmers, in every state of the south.

Whatever Mr. Taft's personal policy, the south will be more disposed to dispense with the leadership of old-style politicians as the present term at Washington develops its tactful and sensible conduct of larger American affairs.

Opposition.

The reorganized South Omaha Commercial club has made public a letter addressed to the Omaha Commercial club, which impudently demands a cessation of all agitation for consolidation of the two cities.

According to the governor of Washington, his state has 200,000,000,000 feet of merchantable timber. That is no reason for wasteful cutting or extortionate protection.

When the city authorizes the erection of fences in the streets around buildings in course of construction it should protect the public against further encroachments of the billboard nuisance.

Ex-Governor Sheldon voted yes on a resolution calling on Governor Shallenberger to oust the Omaha police commissioners. When he still exercised executive power, Governor Sheldon voted "no" on all resolutions to oust his own police commission appointees.

Easy Money.

The payment into the treasury of an incorporation fee of \$70,000 for the filing of the reincorporation articles of the Missouri Pacific railway looks like easy money.

While there is no way of compelling South Omaha to come into municipal partnership with Omaha, it takes two to make a bargain, and if South Omaha insists upon deferring action too long, it may later find that Omaha is not ready to negotiate.

And while congress is not in session Washington has no board of aldermen to vex its soul, praise be.

Unseemly Joins for Memory.

Remember the Maine? The second one has gone to the Portsmouth yard to be rebuilt. The earlier one still remains stationary.

Hunting the Hunter.

Mr. Roosevelt is to be in Paris about the middle of autumn. And there he himself will be the lion who will be hunted.

Saluting the Coming Secretary.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

While a New York lawyer may boast that he got \$20,000 by appearing one day, a bank cashier since then got \$50,000 by disappearing one night.

Mr. Rockefeller is transferring his Cleveland property to his son, the turning over being made in \$100,000 batches. It is expected to take all summer.

E. C. Griffin recently engaged to head the chemistry department of the Kansas State Agriculture college, is spending his vacation in Brighton, Cal. as a nod carrier. He is not trying to solve the labor problem, but likes hard work.

A lot of congressmen are going to the canal zone. The trip has its attractions, prominent among them the fact that the government will foot the bill. The junketers should understand that they must not work Panama hats into their expense accounts under the head of sundries.

One of the generous givers to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York is George A. Hearn, who has given an endowment of \$10,000 to buy works by American artists, besides presenting before him nearly thirty paintings, and aiding in the purchase of fifty-seven pictures.

Miss Chrystal Eastman, who has been appointed by Governor Hughes on the commission to inquire into the question of the employers' liability and the causes and effects of unemployment, is the only woman on the commission. She is the daughter of the Rev. S. E. and the Rev. Annie S. Eastman, joint pastors of Park Church, Elmira, N. Y.

WHY'LL LET IN THE LIGHT?

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TAPS ON THE FUNNYBONE.

"Why do you propose to call yourself king?" a royal flush overplayed the brow of the Prince of Montenegro. "I have here," he replied, "the cards of the heads of reigning families."

"He shuffled the cards nervously. 'Observe for yourself that there are too many knaves in the pack,' he added.—Philadelphia Ledger.

"I presume," said the Telephone Directory to the Hospital Dictionary, "that you have been to the surgical ward."

"What makes you think that?" asked the Dictionary, hastily.

"Because," answered the Telephone Directory, "I have not removed your appendix."—Baltimore American.

First Guest—"This place is healthy, isn't it?" Second Guest—"It has been up to the time that I noted special attention to the habit of spending his summers here. Now we have an operation every week or so.—Life.

"Yea, Bill, mark my words, the thing you're going to make England is tariff reform. No more tariff reform, Energy!"

"What they tell you at the meetings,"—London Punch.

Hudson had just arrived in the Half Moon. "How lucky that I have more than \$25!" he exclaimed.—New York Sun.

Husband—"Why don't you have Bridget shut the kitchen door?" "I can smell the breakfast cooking all over the house. The smell is all that gets the family up.—Judge.

"Do you mean to say that politician's opinions are for sale?" "No," answered Senator Sorghum, "I won't accuse him of selling his opinions. But I will say that his attitude toward some cases resembles that of an expert witness."—Washington Star.

CALL OF SUMMER DAYS.

W. D. Nesbit in Chicago Post. About the clatter and clamor that surges from the street. There comes the rustling murmur of wind-swept fields of wheat.

And there comes the myriatic calling of mountain peaks that rise Until their snowy mantles are shoudering the skies.

The orchards and the valleys, the meadows and all that spread across the distance their low, insistent call.

The tinkle of the river where shallows splash and run And lose their foaming jewels to sparkle in the sun.

The mirror lakes are sending the plashing of the oars And the tang of pine and hemlock that crowd along the shores—

O, down across the mountains and up along the peaks of the hills The wind of summer bears us the murmuring refrain.

It whispers of the loafing in haunts of sun and shade, Of watching where the trestles far down below are swayed.

By all the silent breeze; it tells of little fogs Where through the purple twilight the crickets chant their ode—

And with a thrill as thrilling as that of life in the drum The good green world without the walls is calling to us "Come!"

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