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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 1st day of September, 1910.

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A "good Indian" is one who has the right kind of a fee to give.

"Conservation" congress is apparently no place for a conservative.

Is Chancellor Day out of the country, that we do not hear his voice?

Up to the last count Timothy Woodruff had all his fringed vests intact.

Possibly the "boy scout" movement might commend itself to the major leagues.

The Honorable Hearst still has not told the people what it is he is a candidate for.

"Ballinger report ready soon," says a news item. Such precipitate haste is dangerous.

Are the promoters of that "New Nationalism" disappointed at what has taken place at St. Paul?

It appears that home legislators in a sister state to the east have robbed the pot forty ways from the jack.

It's all off now. Colonel Watterson says the next president of the United States "must be a democrat" must be.

Justice Robson Pound, now of Chicago, says law is a hindrance to some people. Was not that the purpose of making laws?

Lone bandits are still holding up trains down in St. Louis. But these latter-day fellows are not in it with Jim Cummings.

Evidently the British court proposes to center its fire on Dr. Crippen and let circumstances take care of his surviving victim, Miss Leneve.

Lincoln's aviation meet eclipsed Omaha's in one respect, at least. The aviator got high enough in the air to turn turtle and light on a barn.

Denver has just voted an issue of \$5,000,000 to buy a water plant which has been appraised at upward of \$14,000,000. Omaha's experience is being repeated.

Some of the speeches made at St. Paul remind us strongly of the definition a New York reporter once gave of a "column." He said it consisted of one idea and 2,000 words.

President Taft's suggestion that deeds will be of more service than words in accomplishing the ends of conservation did not operate to check the flow of oratory at St. Paul.

If the pioneers who "blazed the way of civilization" on the western frontiers had had a few of those Oklahoma lawyers with them they would have encountered little difficulty in "raiding" the Indians.

The suggestion by a member of the Omaha Board of Education that mental suggestion be made a part of Omaha public school methods has its attractive features. But it is not the children who need the suggestion.

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Roosevelt Stands with Taft.

Colonel Roosevelt's speech at the St. Paul conservation congress is a proof, if proof were needed, of his close sympathy with President Taft in the work of the administration, at least so far as the carrying out of the Roosevelt policies are concerned.

Colonel Roosevelt had occasion to refer to President Taft's policies or speech, he praised them, and in the main issues the two men stand squarely together, just as they have always stood, despite all the hurrah that has been dinned in our ears for more than a year by persons with grievances seeking to create a contrary impression.

"Much that I have to say on conservation will be a repetition of what was so admirably said from this platform yesterday," said Colonel Roosevelt, referring to the president's speech in his introductory.

Again, toward the conclusion of his address, he said: "I have been astounded and delighted on my return from abroad at the progress made while I was away."

And again: "All friends of conservation should be in hearty agreement with the policy which the president laid down in connection with the coal, oil and phosphate lands, and I am glad to be able to say that at its last session congress fully completed the work of separating the surface title to the land from the mineral beneath."

The fundamental proposition of the two speeches is the conserving of natural resources so as to avoid waste and obtain the largest good to the largest number, both in the present and future generations.

Some Interesting Primaries. No surprise is occasioned by the renomination in the Wisconsin primaries of Senator LaFollette, but a somewhat significant situation is presented in the nomination of the LaFollette candidate for governor, F. E. McGovern, who was against county option, and in the general defeat of county option itself, which seems to split the moral reform element squarely in two.

Party Textbooks. The republicans have issued their campaign text book, and the democrats have also issued theirs. The republican book is a simple record of the achievements of the party, while the democrats' is a mere compilation of promises for themselves and criticisms and misrepresentations of the republicans.

Experience Teaches. "Sure and of link it pays to be honest, after all," said Pat. "O! I roared that money-weight business in my grocery store last year, and of loath money by it."

Best Man Available for Bureau of Mines. The dangerous industry of mining is likely to be well served by the new bureau of mines. President Taft has appointed as its head the best man for the place, Dr. Joseph Austin Holmes of the geological survey.

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Washington Life

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Some months ago Commissioner Davenport caused an estimate to be made of the average daily deaths of civil war veterans. The average was a trifle more than ninety-five. The commissioner believes that this has since been increased, and that every day one hundred men who wore the blue uniform pass away.

The situation out in the big Sixth is a beautiful illustration of the glorious possibilities of fusion under democratic practice. The democrats have nominated one candidate for congress and the populists have nominated another, and now they propose to arbitrate to determine which one shall run. While they are settling this momentous question, couldn't they find a little time to decide what they are going to do with the pledge they subscribed to each avowing his purpose to abide by the outcome of the primary?

Great and big as is New York City, its growth seems only moderate when one considers that it was far above a million in population before the first war, and that now, with all its territorial expansion, the annexation of Brooklyn and all the other neighboring cities, it has only 4,766,000. The estimated population of London is 7,500,000, and of Chicago 2,250,000.

Pitcher Keeley has the poor consolation of knowing that it was not his fault that he did not achieve a niche in the base ball hall of fame. The incident merely emphasizes the fact that there are eight other men on the team besides the pitcher, and each has something to do with the outcome of the game.

Try the Flinn Article. If the government is unable to secure the services of a real xylotomist for \$1,000 a year, it might hire some plain citizen who knows all about the bugs, worms, and things that bore into the trunks of trees. Probably he would do just as well.

Look Mightily Good Abroad. Uncle Sam's mine can not turn out gold coins fast enough to supply the foreign demand. It must be that American gold is better than any other kind and that the foreigners are giving heed to the well-known advertising phrase, "take no substitute."

Freedom from a Handicap. Mr. Bryan announces that he will not be a candidate for the presidency on any reasons. But that he means what he says may be taken for granted. There is no necessity for saying more of what has recently happened in his own state than that it was a sort of last straw. For this withereth, and he is no longer a candidate.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

For the first time the Kaiser's prize, the most coveted of all honors at the University of Berlin, has been awarded to a woman this year. The winner is Fraulein Schwenke.

Canada has scored the first football fatality of the season, but the season is young. If the Canadians expect to achieve the casualty record they will have to regard this painful episode as a mere start.

Former Mayor McClellan of New York, who has returned from Europe, will begin the practice of law at once. It seems that he backed in 1882 he took the precaution to be admitted to the bar, but he has never practiced anything but politics in twenty years. Law is now his last resort.

Sir Cheng Tung, the Chinese minister to Germany, who was formerly minister at Washington, will send his two sons to America on the steamship Kronprinzessin Cecilie, on September 9. They are to enter Amherst college in the fall. Sir Cheng was partly educated at Amherst after being fitted at Andover. He has dropped his title and calls himself Mr. Liang Cheng.

Miss Celia Haag is deputy tax collector of Carlyle, Ill. Her father is the collector, having just been re-elected for his third term. Miss Haag is 27 years old and has had entire charge of the financial end of her father's business for several years. She is said to give such satisfaction as deputy collector that the voters of Carlyle refused to consider her father's opponent for the office.

President Taft's Review of Republican Performances. Brooklyn Eagle (ind. dem.). A statement of "the reasons which should lead voters in the coming November election to cast their ballots for republican candidates for congress" has been sent from Beverly to the chairman of the national congressional republican committee. It should be widely circulated. In fact, it should be read by every voter who expects to go to the polls, though there are those who will be disappointed by it.

A rather curious thing about the pension list is that there has been practically no falling off in the amount paid to pensioners who live abroad, although there has been a big slump in the home list. For a number of years past the government has sent abroad \$3,000,000 to pay to American pensioners living in foreign lands. The persistency with which this list is maintained has excited the suspicions of the pension office. Commissioner Davenport says that American consuls will be asked to investigate certain suspicious cases and ascertain whether the government is being defrauded into the payment of pensions to persons who have long since died. It is pointed out that it would be a comparatively easy matter for friends or relatives of a deceased pensioner who had lived abroad to cash the voucher after his death.

The greater part of the cash for pensioners living abroad goes to Canada, where 2,000 beneficiaries reside, who annually receive \$600,000. In Germany there are 500, in Ireland 400, in Mexico 100, in Switzerland 61, in England 37, in Norway 2, and in Sweden 5. One pensioner has found a home in the Hawaiian Islands, one in Korea and another in Cape Verde Islands. The others are spending their days in Egypt, a couple or more in the Isle of Man, a score in Japan, ten in Liberia and fourteen in Russia.

When the Treasury department goes shopping for sites for public buildings, more care is taken than is ever displayed by the most inveterate woman bargain hunter. The relation of the sites offered to the geographical and population centers of the city and their proximity to the street railway lines are considered. The percentage of mail carried to and from the city by each railroad entering the city is figured out, and the distance of each site from each depot is measured. An ideal site is one situated close to both the geographical and population center and within 1,320 feet of all the railroad depots. This facilitates city delivery and also saves to the government money, for the railroads must deliver free all mail to post-offices situated within a quarter of a mile of their depots.

The assessed values of the sites under consideration are looked up, as well as recent sales of adjacent property, for the government does not propose paying fancy prices merely because it is public money. The character of the buildings occupying the sites, if they are occupied, is another element reckoned with, as it makes a difference whether the price asked covers merely the value of the ground, or includes the value of a building that must be torn down.

In addition to all this, the wishes of the people of the city concerned are taken into consideration. Boards of trade and chambers of commerce and other civic organizations are consulted, and an effort is made to choose a site that will meet with popular approval.

Heretofore the Treasury department, having a large number of sites to investigate, has made a practice of sending out into the field subordinate employees who were not qualified as experts. This has been a "soft soap" for the favored few subordinates, for they have made trips during their annual leave of absence, and thus have their expenses paid during their vacations.

Results of this practice have been so unsatisfactory, however, that a new policy has been inaugurated, and this year the investigations are being made by the department experts, Site Agents Window and Love and J. Knox Taylor, the supervising architect of the Treasury. It has been found that almost invariably, where the investigations were made by employees not qualified as experts by experience, complications arose and it was necessary to have the inquiries made over again.

Officials of the bureau of engraving and printing at Washington, aver that one of the most delicate operations connected with the manufacture of our postage stamps is the gumming thereof.

When the sheets have been printed they are passed under a roller, from which they receive a thin coating of gum, and then gradually over coils of steam pipes until they are dried. Much care is exercised to get the layer uniform on every part of the surface.

It drops to the roller, is maintained at an even temperature and thickness. Tests are frequently made of the warmth and humidity of the work-room.

But even with the perfection of mechanical processes, some allowance must always be made for the reason of the year. For summer sale a slightly harder gum is used, because of the trouble occasioned by the sticking together of stamps. In winter precaution against the cracking of the gummed surface through contraction is necessary. A third grade of the material for other seasons is known as "intermediate."

PERSONAL PLEASANTIES.

"Why do you suppose that aviator committed suicide?" "Perhaps he was afraid that if he didn't he might get killed."—Houston Post.

"But," protested the Englishman, "you have no family trees in your country." "True," rejoined the plain American, "but we have a lot of mealy underbrush, which is quite as much in the way and just as detrimental to the scenery."—Chicago News.

"Do you believe in mental telepathy?" "I have to when I see so many press humorists thinking of the same joke at the same time."—Pittsburg Post.

"Is he a hard lover?" "I guess so; all his friends take especial delight in beating him."—Detroit Free Press.

Freddie—Why do they call him the middleman, dad? "Covligger—Because he gets a rake-off from both ends—Life.

Necessity turned sharply to invention. "If I'm your mother," she said, "it's your duty to support me in comfort." "But invention, as we all know, usually dodges this duty."—Chicago Tribune.

"Did you interview that statesman?" "Not exactly," replied the journalist. "True," rejoined the plain American, "but he didn't say anything. He devoted the time to getting all the facts it had in his possession."—Washington Star.

"Hello, Johnny," said the village blacksmith; "I hear your paw has gone into politics." "Sure." "How'd that happen?" "Well, my uncle left him a silk hat and a Prince Albert coat in his will and paw had to do something with them—Washington Star.

Friede—So your great Russian actor was a total failure. "Manager—Yes, it took all our profits to pay for running the electric light sign with his name on it.—Pitt.

Dick—I know a girl who accepts rings from men who do not know her name. "Clara—I don't believe it. How could she?" "Dick—Why she has to, you know; she's a telephone girl.—Boston Courier.

A Little Imagination. Baltimore Sun. A little imagination, as light and as sweet as the heart of a child; a little imagination, and the dust on the street is gold; and nothing is ever weary and nothing is gray.

A little imagination, and drowsiness falls away; and that which was toll and trouble is idly turned to play; a little imagination, and hunger and thirst are lost in beautiful visions of manna and dew and rain.

A little imagination, the sordid and dry and stale; Turn to a mystic morning gleaming a fairy tale; A little imagination and that which was only strife; Walks on the hills of the commonplace into the garden of life.

A little imagination and the loom and the wheel and staff; They turn to the golden lances of light where the fairies laugh; A little imagination, and all that was gross and sad; Is lovely as the old music in groves of the green and glad.

A little imagination, a touch that the child can bring; To cover the hills of winter with violet visions of spring; A little imagination, we must have that, or, I fear; Life were a barren region by the limitless seas of snow!

Talks for people who sell things

An article in "Printers' Ink," quoting Dow R. Guln, says: "I believe in publicity—in letting people know about your business. With a first-class water plant, furnishing good water and satisfactory service at reasonable rates, and with courteous treatment to its patrons, the management is missing a golden opportunity if it fails to keep the public informed."

Many business men in Omaha are missing a golden opportunity to keep the public informed. And while you may not believe in publicity—the people do, they want to know about your business. Had you not better give the people what they want?

What good is a first-class plant, satisfactory service, reasonable prices, courteous treatment if the people know nothing about them. And the people cannot know unless you tell them—in the advertising columns of the newspapers.

They are not going to hunt you up—there are too many other first-class business houses who hunt them up, who go to the trouble to explain about their goods and service and prices. A great many of these wide-awake business men use the advertising columns of The Bee, and they are reaping a rich harvest, because the 120,000 daily readers of The Bee are the sort of people to whom good goods and service, reasonable prices and fair treatment, and good advertising appeal.

Also, The Bee can furnish the "Good Advertising"—a service of copy and illustrations to meet your needs. What do you say, Mr. Business Man? Wouldn't space in the advertising columns of The Bee be a mighty good buy for your business? Phone Tyler 1000, and one of the staff will call on you.

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