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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 30th day of November, 1910.

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The typewriter forms a big figure in every war nowadays.

Footpads who take a victim's clothing must want to rub it in.

How would half a dozen lumps of anthracite coal be for a Christmas present?

"When is food a luxury?" asks the Denver Republican. When it fills a long-felt want.

Earlier in life Mr. Carnegie was called the "Steel King." Now he is the "Prince of Peace."

Now that California is no longer the thirteenth state in size, it ought to have a better run of luck.

How fortunate that that fire in Tammany hall was extinguished before it reached the "oil" room.

As the "man without a country" ex-President Zelaya is not breaking many hearts by his pathetic plight.

San Francisco ought to be able to win even New Orleans over to its side on that brand it is handing out.

The most unkind cut of all is that Hearst has hired Alfred Henry Lewis to write things about Senator Lodge.

Chicago has reduced water rates in its effort to lower the cost of living. That might be appreciable in Kansas.

Possibly Mr. Carnegie gave that \$10,000,000 to peace to prevent his heirs from fighting over it after he died.

Our Anti-Saloon league chronic license protesters are strangely silent and inactive right now. What's the answer?

The report that a Chicago man has invented a noiseless soup spoon will make interesting reading in Texas, where they drink it from the bowl.

The early Christmas shopper enjoys the additional advantage of having time to make further forgotten purchases before the fateful day arrives.

Mr. Carnegie's bequest for world peace came out just in time to divide the front page with Secretary Dickinson's plea for larger war appropriations.

We observe from the dispassionate pages of the esteemed Congressional Record that Champ Clark is right when he declares, "There is no oratory in congress today."

Just to prove its devotion to the idea of "the city beautiful," our Commercial club has gone to patronizing the billboards. Join the Commercial club and help make Omaha attractive.

It would be a real joke on San Francisco and New Orleans if sleepy old Washington, D. C., should wake up and land that Panama exposition after all, but they would never see the joke.

Now if Street Commissioner Flynn will only pray hard enough for auspicious weather the street funds may hold out to pay all the political bosses and inspectors full time whether any work is done on the streets or not.

Comparative Growth.

The table put out by the census bureau showing the percentage of population increase in the various states in the last decade, and the changes in relative rank of the states, affords material for instructive study.

Nebraska in the last census period scored an increase in population of 11.8 per cent and ranks as the twenty-ninth state in number of inhabitants.

As is natural to expect, the states which have shown the greatest percentage of increase are, for the most part, states which previously had the greatest area of unoccupied land and undeveloped resources.

Geographically Nebraska occupies a sort of halfway station, as it were, gaining new recruits from the east and probably losing some to the west.

The Fight on Mail Frauds.

The government's move against the fraudulent use of the mails is so far-reaching and systematic as to offer a substantial measure of protection to legitimate business which cannot but suffer from such swindles and parasites.

Without the mails as a vehicle for communication with his victims, the business faker never could make progress. Misuse of the mails makes of his projects a most insidious element.

Progressive Philanthropy.

The Bernard Nobel theory of philanthropy, which rewards the forerunner of the race before the laggard, is coming more and more into vogue.

Asylums for the unfortunate are all right. It would be a cold, unfeeling world that did not care for its sick and weak. But all the laggards are not sick and weak.

That Baltimore Feed.

One thousand hungry democrats are looking this way. They are reading the menu prepared for their appetites and doing stunts in the party wood yard in order to get up a voracity equivalent to the capacity indicated by the food statistics of the Jackson day banquet.

Trade Worth Reaching For.

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Our Birthday Book.

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Our Letter Box.

Contributions on Timely Subjects for Reading and Discussion Are Invited from Our Readers.

The Ship Subsidy Side. To the Editor of The Bee: You are glad to see that in your recent editorial, "Ship Subsidy," you recognize that the New York Journal of Commerce, whose marked editorials against American shipping are sent widely over the west, is really opposed not to the subsidy plan alone, but to the possession of a merchant shipping by America.

The Ship Subsidy Side. You remark that "We doubt if this sentiment is quite representative over the country, and yet it comes from a source that demands a serious hearing."

The Ship Subsidy Side. It may be well to say that the Journal of Commerce is controlled by a family of English birth and close English sympathies and affiliations, and that, moreover, its support is derived largely from advertisements of European steamship lines which are bitterly opposed to American shipping.

The Ship Subsidy Side. These are pertinent facts which the west should understand. The Journal of Commerce stands almost alone in commercial circles on this question. The National Association of Manufacturers, the National Board of Trade, the American Bankers' association and the great commercial organizations generally, including the chamber of commerce of New York, have endorsed legislation like that commended by President Taft and now pending in congress.

The Ship Subsidy Side. In closing your editorial you say: "We believe it is possible to carry on a successful maritime trade without large financial help from the government." Will you not kindly indicate how this may be done? J. L. EWELL, Secretary Merchant Marine Committee of One Hundred.

OUTSIDE VIEW OF INSIDE ROW. Spectacular Exhibit of Fighting Bacteria for Control of Human Body. New York Herald.

One of the most interesting and instructive cinematograph shows ever witnessed, in the shape of a fierce battle between an army of phagocytes and several million sprochaeta was given in London the other evening by Dr. C. Levaditi of the Pasteur Institute, Paris, before the Royal Institute of Public Health.

The phagocytes which are the defenders of the human body, were seen in the living pictures fighting against the sprochaeta, which are the bacteria of a malignant disease. These cinematograph films, which are said to be among the most marvelous ever shown, illustrated the bacterial warfare which takes place inside the human body, and excitement was added to the contest, owing to the fact that the audience knew that victory for the sprochaeta meant death to the human victim.

In the first few pictures the phagocytes had rather a bad time if it in their battle with the invaders, and, like a general commanding his forces, Dr. Levaditi cried, "See! They weaken!" following with his pointer the combatants appearing on the screen, like weird creatures conjured up in a nightmare. Again, still more tragically as a phagocyte fell outnumbered before a force of horrid shaped bacteria, he cried, "See! It is dead!"

The defenders, however, put up a grand fight. Dead sprochaeta lay all around them, but still the phagocytes were being gradually outnumbered and crushed, till there were signs of reinforcements. The doctor had come to their aid. In the moment of victory the sprochaeta received a check. With their vast numbers and the variety of their attack such as sharp, tang-like tongues, they were much for the phagocytes alone, but with the arrival of medical aid to stimulate the guardians of the patient's body, they were demolished. Slowly at first, the wriggling things wriggled less. They grew tired, they weakened, they strove in vain to release themselves from the grip of the reviving phagocytes, they died.

This is the sort of fight which is going on daily, explained Dr. Levaditi, in the bodies of human beings, the fierceness of the fight depending on the malignity of the opposing bacteria. From a cold in the head upward the various human ailments entail a fight by the phagocytes in defense of their home.

PRECEDENT FOR PROMOTION. Episodes in the History of the Supreme Court. Boston Transcript.

Former Chief Justice Nott of the United States court of claims came to the support of President Taft by citing a precedent for the promotion of an associate justice of the supreme court to the chief justiceship. In a letter to the Springfield Republican Judge Nott cites the appointment of Justice Cushing to be chief justice by Washington, as the precedent. Cushing was appointed and unanimously confirmed, Judge Nott continues.

"It is related that on the day when this occurred there was a large dinner party at the president's, and the new chief justice was one of the guests, though ignorant of his appointment. On entering the room, Washington from the table, was smiling, directing his look to him, said in an emphatic tone, 'The chief justice of the United States will please take his seat on my right,' and that the judge was much affected at the announcement. His commission as chief justice was made out and sent to him. He held for about a week, and then determined, on the ground of ill-health, to resign."

The appointment, confirmation and declaration of Cushing make up a singular episode in the history of the supreme court. It is matched, perhaps, by the misfortune of John Rutledge, who was appointed in a mortal malady while chief justice. As he had been appointed in the recess, there was no way to remove him from the bench save by the senate rejecting his nomination, which was done. Rutledge had also been an associate justice, but there was an interval between his rejection and his capacity and his appointment as chief justice.

This is Going Some. Indianapolis News. When a man can shoot through the air at the rate of a mile and a half a minute and keep it up for an hour, the world may be excused for indulging in some fond dreams of future happenings. The Atlantic ocean, at its narrowest point, is only about 1,900 miles across. If an average speed of 100 miles could be maintained for this distance, the trip could be made in about sixteen hours. Because of the long twilight at that latitude in midsummer, the aviator, flying from east to west and starting at very early dawn, might travel the whole distance by nightfall.

Var's Aftermath. New York World. The United States government since its foundation, has paid \$4,073,566.70 in war pensions. No wonder war is popular.

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