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Do your fireworks shopping early.
Dante may have had Mexico in mind.

"Watchman, what of the night?"
Well, sir, it is little better than the day just now.

A hundred bushels of wheat to the acre from one Nebraska farm. It is vouched for, too.

Did President Wilson err in selecting his attorney general? If so, will he correct the mistake?

Retaining a mild, unruffled humor may not modify the temperature, but it will soften the blow.

If ever the abbreviated dress had its defense it is when the mercury hangs around the 90-mark.

Secretary Bryan is said to be highly pleased with the new currency bill, which ought to settle it.

Every attorney general should be able to recite by heart that famous old legend, "The law is no respecter of persons."

J. Warren Keifer of Ohio may be getting old, but his eyesight is evidently clear; he sees democratic defeat just ahead.

Every now and then Nebraska forgets that it is a summer resort and remembers that it is the throne-seat of old King Corn.

Our election commissioner declares that he did not have as much trouble with the registration as he expected. Wonder what he expected?

Attorney General McReynolds is forced to admit that Mr. McNab put him in a hole. And, unfortunately, he cannot pull the hole in after him.

Where is the old-fashioned summer poet who used to write about the babbling brook? Why doesn't he relieve us now with a babble of two?

Ex-Senator Beveridge wants it distinctly understood that he does not intend to get together if he can help it. Watch how the democrats applaud the suggestion.

No need of any order to prohibit the use of water to sprinkle lawns in Omaha this year, for all the water so used clicks off 35 cents a thousand gallons at the robber meter.

When the women vote they'll change that Bertillon system of registration that makes every voter put down in black and white his height, weight, age and color of hair.

Of course, the president upholds his attorney general, and reaffirms his confidence in him, but note that also commands him to proceed at once with the case he had ordered postponed.

The democratic currency bill requires one of the seven general managers of the country's banking business to have had banking experience. Our foolish bankers do not seem to realize that this is a concession to them.

What business is more important to an American president than a visit to the field on which the battle was won that broke the backbone of the rebellion that threatened to destroy the union? Better jump into your auto and hustle out to Gettysburg, Mr. President.

When Dr. Alsberg is mentioned it is necessary to explain that he is chief chemist in the national pure food bureau. Except in the matter of publicity, the doctor seems to be doing almost as well as his illustrious and far-famed predecessor, Doc Wile.

The President Reconsiders.

President Wilson is to be congratulated, more even than the Gettysburg veterans, upon having had his eyes opened to the mistake made in his refusal to take part in the Gettysburg celebration. He has now reconsidered at the eleventh hour the answer he gave to the invitation when extended to him, and will visit the famous battlefield, and make an address there on July 4 as befits the chief executive of the nation there saved from dismemberment.

The president explains that he is thus making an exception to the rule he had imposed upon himself—not to leave Washington while congress was in session to make addresses elsewhere—although this rule had not prevented him from planning to spend that very week at his summer home in New Hampshire. Whether the explanation is a good one or not, the reconsideration is a wise one, and the presence of the president at Gettysburg will help to make our Independence day anniversary this year memorable for all time to come.

Why Mexicans Hate Americans.

We take no stock whatever in the representations made by Senator Fall of Arizona, in support of his proposal to rescind the order forbidding the sale and exportation of firearms to Mexican rebels, that to this order is due the Mexican hatred of Americans. The poor opinion in which Americans stand in Mexico dates far back of the late revolution, and may be readily accounted for. One chief trouble encountered by Americans in Mexico was that they had to live down the odium attaching to those who used to go there before our extradition treaties, because it was not healthy for them to live here at home. In many instances these self-expatriated personages renewed in Mexico their interrupted careers of swindling, fraud, oppression and crime, making the Mexicans their victims.

Law-abiding Americans pursuing legitimate business in Mexico had about counteracted that adverse influence when they again lost caste through the fierce onslaughts of several muck-raking American magazines that depicted Mexico as a land of barbarians and savages, and for proof recited all the exceptional crudities and crimes they could uncover, carefully hiding from the world the tremendous progress in civilization and industry which Mexico had achieved.

Why do Mexicans hate Mexico? Every one who knows anything about Mexico knows the answer, and it is not the answer which Senator Fall has presented.

The Cry of Wolf.

The latest California bid for sensational attention is the story from an obscure hamlet called Hemet, to the effect that some white fruit pickers chased a band of Korean fruit pickers out of town and took their jobs. Forthwith the mayor of the village consults attorneys to ascertain the effect of this embroglio upon relations between the United States and Japan and young men with facile pens get busy and soon the papers over the country are filled with the story and the country is again set agog with anxiety over a new California problem.

And then a Japanese consul on the coast is consulted and disposes of the matter as "a prank of over-grown school boys."

Has our good neighbor, California, gone to raising the cry of "wolf," thinking just to have a little fun with the rest of the country? It seems to have forgotten in the present case that it was not so long ago that Japan ran out a much larger band of Koreans, itself, ran larger out of a national existence into the kingdom of the Mikado and not only so, but even took away from them their country's name, Korea, and called it "Chosen," for no better reason, it seems, than that Japan chose to do this. It is fair to assume that with certain little troubles of its own native sons to clear up, Japan is not going to act precipitately in a matter of such apparent inconsequence as the Hemet affair.

A little boy dying of tetanus caused by a toy pistol accident is said to have remarked as his last words: "So many kids have got to die every Fourth of July, anyway." The little fellow, of course, was wrong, but who is responsible for the basis of his misapprehension?

California manages to hang onto the first page by some means or other, whether a blighting frost in the orange belt, a Japanese hubbub, the outbursts of Everett Rule Johnson, the collapse of a pier or the fulminations of an indignant district attorney.

Like nearly all notable Americans who visit Japan, former Vice President Fairbanks insists that Japan is our permanent friend, and this is pretty good testimony to lay over against that of the Jingoos.

The Georgia judge who in an Iowa speech denounced espionage of judges happens to have been recently subject to the system condemned. But, of course, he condemns it from the standpoint of principle.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

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Thirty Years Ago—The Sacred Heart seminary has closed its year, the final exercises being participated in by Miss Mary McCrory, Miss May McNamara, Miss Clara Creighton, Miss Hattie Jones, Miss Emma Creighton, Miss Georgia Duncan, Miss Sarah Low, Miss Sadie Nash and Miss Mary Nash, and an address by Bishop O'Connor.

St. Catherine's academy also closed its year with a commencement program, to which the following contributed: Misses L. DeLone, M. A. Flannery, Nellie Burkley, K. McHugh, Mary Ruth, M. Tracy. The engagement of the Thomas orchestra closed with concert after and evening. Theodore Thomas, himself, conducting. Omaha has never enjoyed so rare a musical treat.

The free dispensary in connection with the child's hospital has been located at the northwest corner of Sixteenth and Douglas, until the new building is finished, and treatment is given there for the needy sick.

John Hagerter, corner of Pier and Franklin streets, Parker's addition, wants it known that the owner of a silver watch which he has found may have same by proving property.

Twenty Years Ago—Charles Clayton of Hannibal, Mo., was enjoying a brief visit in Omaha as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman. He was prominent in social and commercial circles at home and was popular here.

Samuel Schweitzer of the Thompson-Houston Electric Light company left for Denver.

Mrs. N. A. Kuhn became a heroine in a successful struggle with a sneak thief, who came to their residence, Twenty-fifth and Marcy, from which they were moving. He pretended to be a plumber looking after work, but Mrs. Kuhn spotted him and tried to hold him till she could have him arrested. He finally got away, however, being too strong for the brave woman.

Rev. John Albert Williams, rector of St. Philip's Episcopal church, announced he would preach a sermon on July 1 in behalf of Sunday closing. All interested in the movement were invited to attend.

Rev. Frank Crane announced he would preach on "The Financial Crisis" at First Methodist church on the forthcoming Sabbath, having a little prelude on the death of Senator Leland Stanford of California.

Ten Years Ago—The seventy-seven members of the Douglas County Bar association nominated these seven candidates for judges of the district court: George A. Day, Charles T. Dickinson, Herman Aye, Lee S. Estelle, Irving F. Baxter, Guy B. C. Read, republican; E. C. Page, democrat.

L. H. Lighton, manager of the Western Anchor Fence company, was prosecuted by the heat with the mercury ranging as high as 96 and taken to his home, 368 California street, in a precarious condition. This was the first heat prostration reported.

Mrs. W. H. Elbourn returned home from Buffalo and Detroit, where she had spent two months studying china painting.

John Paul Brown, on behalf of the Omaha Real Estate Exchange, appeared before the Board of County Commissioners, sitting as a board of equalization, and urged an increase of \$700,000 in the assessment of the Union Stock Yards company's property, while Frank T. Ransom, the company's attorney, resisted the demand.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rothery left the city for St. Louis on their wedding tour, whereon hangs a tale. The Bee offered sometime before a prize of a vacation trip to the young woman winning a contest prize. Miss Pearl Sunderland was employed by the Postal Telegraph company, so was Mr. Rothery. He hurried himself into the contest in behalf of Miss Sunderland, who eventually won. In the meantime, Mr. Rothery was transferred to St. Louis, and in the meantime, also, he took unto himself a wife, which was Miss Sunderland, daughter of Mrs. Louis A. Sunderland.

The estate of Darius Ogden Mills of New York, who died January 4, 1910, simmers down to \$35,000,000, all but \$600,000 going to two children, Ogden Mills and Mrs. Whitlaw Field.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels prefers mineral water to grape juice. It is estimated that Mrs. Susan Eaton of Madison, Me., who celebrated her 85th birthday last week, has made more than 800 quilts.

Governor Ammons of Colorado has signed Senator Helen Ring Robinson's bill providing for a commission of three, with power to fix minimum wages for women and minors.

Twice Told Tales

Would Can the Peaches. Jones was showing his wife and her friend, Mrs. Brown, around the new rooms for a few minutes, while he answered a telephone call and the conversation between the two women drifted to household matters.

Patting It Up to Father. That parents should exercise the greatest care in speaking of family secrets in the presence of little children was proved by the experience of a North avenue resident recently.

Wilson's Absence from Gettysburg. SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., June 27.—To the Editor of The Bee: Since it has been announced that President Wilson will not attend the reunion of union and confederate soldiers on the Gettysburg battlefield, I have been looking for some criticism of his action in refusing to attend one of the greatest historical events that ever took place in the annals of mankind, and especially so when his name had been placed on the program on the Fourth of July.

On His Dignity. As one of the great South African liners was steaming into Southampton harbor a grimy coal lighter floated immediately in front of it. An officer on board the vessel, observing this, shouted: "Clear out of the way with that barge!"

Safety Devices. A New England railway man said at a luncheon in Boston: "There were some people talk, you'd think that there were a thousand safety appliances any one of which, applied to American trains, would abolish accident and loss of life forever."

Uncle Joe's Best Looks. Joseph G. Cannon, former speaker of the house and a visitor at Washington Park, was standing on the sidewalk on Pennsylvania avenue recently talking with a friend, when an elderly, quick-speaking man approached.

Home Helps. Saturate a handkerchief in gasoline and shake dry; rub this over the soiled gloves, and see if they are not cleaned as easily as when dipped. Kid retains a disagreeable odor when dipped in gasoline, and this process is usually sufficient to do the work properly.

Editorial Siftings. St. Louis Republic: A Chicago theosophist says persons and trees have affinities. The schoolmaster and the birch is, perhaps, an illustration of the principle.

People Talked About. In the matter of weather the Wilson administration is putting out considerable hot stuff. Census statistics of Hawaii, just published, show that the native stock is dying out. The total number of natives left on the islands is 25,941, a decrease of 21.7 per cent in a decade.

Overrated. According to a London journal "there is no nation under heaven which sets a higher value on royalty than the United States of America." But that is because kings and princes are a theory with us and not a condition. Time was when our expressions of esteem for a British monarch lacked fervor.

The Bees Letter Box

More Impertinent Questions. OMAHA, June 28.—To the Editor of The Bee: Can anyone tell under what kind of business methods our wonderful Water board operates?

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Shattering Precedents. New York World. Flowers of poetry, according to the standing rules of congress, are permitted only in obituaries. Senator Ashurst of Arizona violates precedent in invoking

High Rates Not Only Issue. OMAHA, June 28.—To the Editor of The Bee: I believe that in your legal test with the Water board you are taking the right step to conserve for the people their rights for relief from inconsistent and unjust action by that body.

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farmers and laboring men from prosecution under the Sherman act, he did the only right and honorable thing he could do under the circumstances. President Wilson, about whose head he would have the country believe always floats a halo of virtue and righteousness, did an equally wrong, impolitic and dishonorable thing in signing that bill.

There's a bank whose issue is good where ever. The sun in radiance reigns; Where payments, be sure, are suspended never. Whose strength no panic strains. A steadfast reliance, this stronghold of treasure. Worth any golden while. It lends of its wealth without stint, without measure—and special privileges to none" was their great slogan, as it had been for years.

Bank of the Ready Smile. Why borrow where all that's to loan is to be going. New York World. Why discount days in despair? Why let your grief draw interest and double. At usury rates unfair? Let not the evil more evil be earning. Under despondency's guise. Keep books with the house of the cheerful returning. The Bank of the Ready Smile.

Little Stories and Talks About Advertising. The Man Who Did, and the Man Who Didn't Advertise. About fifteen years ago the maker of a certain shoe which is now nationally known—was manufacturing about thirty cases of shoes a week.

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the muse in the report of the Woman's Suffrage committee in favor of a constitutional amendment, but the occasion is so extraordinary that his offense should be overlooked.

Bank of the Ready Smile. Dollars may be of the sorriest vintage. Squeezed from grapes of toll; Dollars piled fresh from the gambler's minting. Still may burn and sell. Wealth that Hope from its deep heart offers. And nothing may defile. Fruit of discouragement's wile. The Bank of the Ready Smile.

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