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Subscribed in my presence and avers to be true this 24 day of July, 1913. ROBERT H. NUNN, Notary Public.

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To automobile riders: Slow up before it's your turn.

"I should worry because I am getting big ears," says King Corn.

To have ideal weather and an ideal corn crop at one and the same time is really ideal.

The designer of the Lincoln penny has married and will now turn his artistic attentions to making dollars.

At any rate, McReynolds has taken a back seat, and seems to be trying for the present to sit there unobscured.

Uncle Jim Hill would not object if the whole cabinet and congress were to quit their offices and go a-chau-talking.

It is safe to say that if Jefferson were living he would not permit the supplanting of McKinley's face on our postal cards with his own.

Mrs. Pankhurst is back in jail. One has to watch all the editions, including the noon "naty" and the "bulldog," to keep tab on her.

Any other city bidding to take our great hydraulic water works boss off our hands? Can it be possible they are waiting for us to offer a bonus?

Mayor Harrison has rolled up his sleeves and waded into the task of ridding Chicago of vice—Chicago Inter Ocean.

The mayor had better put on a bathing suit.

Secretary Bryan is not so purblind in his Jeffersonian simplicity as to ride to his office on a grey mule instead of in a high-power automobile.

Presumably, more is expected of Secretary Daniels, being a newspaper man, than from other members of the cabinet who indulge in indiscreet talk.

There's lots of time to get warmed up on gas without overheating so early in the game. Remember, that the gas franchise election is still a month off.

The jingo just will not take Japan at its word when it assures us it does not intend to clean us out. The jingo, winking his wise eye, discovers the anti-American alliance it is catching with Mexico.

To enjoy city life to its full, one should live in a bucolic neighborhood where the crowing roosters, the cackling hens, the bawling calves and the barking dogs begin to make it interesting about daybreak.

Reports from London are to the effect that Japan is much disappointed and displeased with our action on the California question. Seems as if such news always comes to us first from dear old Lusuan.

President Wilson hopped out of his auto on a country road the other day and spent thirty minutes watching an amateur game of ball. That is just half the time he was able to give to the old veterans at Gettysburg.

Felix Diaz, who goes to Japan as special envoy of good fellowship from the Huerta government, will stay there, or in some friendly port, if he is wise, for, as the New York Herald remarks, Felix has not been a "good risk" from an insurance man's standpoint for some time.

It may prove to be a popular move if President Hourke transfers his Omaha ball team to a larger league, but in the meantime he might help it win a game or two by adding a few pitchers to its membership. They do say that a pitcher is an important factor in a winning ball team.

Same Old Car Shortage Cry.

This year, as for many past, railroads are complaining of a threatened car shortage approaching the heavy autumn transportation. This has become an old and familiar cry. While always such shortages of course indicate enlarged business, they are not excusable on that score. Keeping transportation supplies up to demands will in no wise hinder, but will immensely help business. Freight officials are quoted as saying they have done their best to accomplish this, and perhaps they have, but how about those officials and directors, who are really responsible for the facilities? Have they exhausted their efforts along this line?

Experience from year to year leaves no ground for railroads to plead surprise or snap judgment as a defense against car shortages. They have simply become a problem to me, as any other in the process of railroad management. Neither will it satisfy the public to argue, however truly, that careless and dilatory shippers, who unnecessarily withhold cars from the service are largely to blame for shortages. That again is a problem for railroad management. If there is no other outlet than by providing larger supplies of cars, then the roads should be compelled to provide them.

A Question of Which Foot.

The explanation is hastily offered that the attack on the biennial elections law begun by prominent democrats at Lincoln is instituted by them individually, and not by the democratic organization in which they hold high positions.

This explanation has a rather fishy flavor. In the language of Mayor "Jim," it will do only to "tell to the marines."

When the democrats set out deliberately to nullify a law—no, really the constitution—the path must be prepared in advance for a get-away.

If democrats try to sneak into office on a technicality, it's just their own personal doings; if republicans undertook it, the whole republican party would be pilloried.

Secretary Moore's Busy Day.

Some of Mr. Bryan's friends suggest that he might as well be out filling in the summer season on the Chautauqua platform since there is so little to do just now in his office at Washington. Certainly, especially with Secretary of State John Bassett Moore on the job. For instance the week opened with almost a blank program, the only items of business being these:

Discussion of the California alien land bill with Japan.

Negotiation of the Panama canal tolls dispute with Great Britain.

Protection of American citizens and their interests in China, threatened by revolution, reports showing already the accession of peace treaties pursuant to Mr. Bryan's own plans.

Consideration of our government's policy toward Mexico and thrashing out of the Mexican situation with Ambassador Wilson.

Why be captious about Mr. Bryan's knocking off to earn a few honest dollars to help pay for the family's winter coal and gas bills with nothing more than this to look out for? And beside Mr. Bryan has generously offered to cut out three of his lectures and take the job of talking to Ambassador Wilson, himself.

If Prof. Moore feels like grumbling at his job he should stop to consider what he is there for.

Unheard.

The prospect is that the new charter will provide for biennial elections of councilmen, giving them four-year terms and electing two at one election and three at another. This means biennial elections, which most people seem to prefer—Lincoln Journal.

So the four-year term for city officials and overlapping tenure with half of the council retiring every two years finds favor with the Lincoln home rule charter makers, too. Evidently the yelp in Omaha about four years being too long, and the imperative need of an opportunity to clean out the city hall completely at every election, did not reach Lincoln in time.

On Borrowing Money.

"When one goes to the bank," we are told, "he obligates himself to the bank. It may be only by a slip of paper for payment of some dollars of money, but there is danger it will not end there." The inference is that when one borrows money he assumes an obligation more than to repay the principal and interest, which is doubtless often the case, but, assuming the necessity of borrowing, it is doubtful if the transaction ordinarily creates as much obligation to a bank as it does to some accommodating friend. For a bank the loaning of money constitutes its regular line of business. It buys and sells credits and is supposed to loan on purely commercial considerations. If a person, however, borrows from friends or relatives, the loan is always regarded as a personal favor calling for favors in return in addition to repayment.

Moral: If you must borrow money, and in doing so want to incur the least possible "obligation," borrow from the bank.

Texas has a law making it a felony for a man to get drunk anywhere except in his own home, the only place where a prophet is without honor.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

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Thirty Years Ago—The busiest place in town is the Union Pacific station where the boys in blue are going through headed for the national encampment at Denver. It has been a long time since any Sunday has witnessed so busy a scene.

Painters and decorators will commence work this week on the stage of Boyd's opera house, a corps of scenic artists from Chicago having been engaged for the work.

Frank Wilcox, the obliging head salesman at Morse's shoe store, where "a child can buy as cheap as a man," is wearing a two-story smile. It's a girl.

Mrs. P. E. Kustia, southwest corner Twenty-fourth and Dodge streets, is offering good wages to a competent white or colored woman for general house work.

The Swedish Library association gave a grand picnic at Hascall's park. The committee in charge consisting of S. J. Burstrom, Charles Johnson, Tom Nordvall, John Steele and E. M. Stenberg.

B. Hellman of Cheyenne, Wyo., who has been visiting friends in Omaha left for the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cheboux, who live on Eighteenth street, are grieving over the death of their little son, Willie.

A sparring exhibition at Turner hall between Felix and Connors is pronounced the finest exhibition of the manly art ever given in Omaha.

Twenty Years Ago—The French consul telegraphed from Pike's Peak that he was eating snowballs and shivering.

James M. Gillan severed his connection with the reportorial staff of The Bee to enter August 1 on the duties of his office, secretary of the Board of Education, intending to devote the intervening time to a study of the work.

R. F. Hodgin resigned his position with the Commercial Directory company because he objected to the methods of management of the concern which he organized and brought to "its present high standing among the retail business men of the state."

Mrs. E. C. McKhane and daughters returned from Lake Minnetonka.

John Kostick returned from Chicago, where he attended a meeting of the Bohemian National Committee of America, of which he was elected president. The object of this great association was to awake a more lively interest in Bohemia and bring it more prominently before the attention of the world.

The much-looked-for game of ball between Tom Birmingham's Convention team and the Young Men's Christian association club resulted in a score of 14 to 4. The Christian process involving far too much for the unregenerate, notwithstanding the fact that Joe Dolan was at third, Eddie Lawler in left and the dusky Mr. Miller in the box for the Conventions. Among the Young Men's Christian association stars were: Fred Rustin of Yale at second, Russ McKelvey at third, Frank Crawford in right and Lysis Abbott behind the bat.

Ten Years Ago—

Pa Bourke released "Red" Wright, the slowest first baseman in captivity, and "Red" immediately leaped into a Peoria uniform and helped the Distillers take a double-header from Omaha. Just like that. Pa let go of Fitcher Milton, he of the poetry style, first obtaining leave from the St. Louis Nationals, to which Milton belonged.

The Board of Public Works Appraisers adjourned for the summer, in fact until October 1, when it expected to take another whirl at deciding what price Omaha should really pay for the water works.

A. J. Vierling of the Paxton & Vierling Iron works addressed the Real Estate exchange at the Commercial club on railroad rates, saying that Omaha was grossly discriminated against by the railroads in shipments of raw materials and manufactured articles out of the city. He backed up his statements with an array of figures.

The Chicago Great Western filed a bill with the county clerk showing it had the edge on most railroads in its tangible assets. Listed among its possessions were a five-toed elephant, two camels and other property that circuses might own. It was a bill of sale securing notes of a circus.

People Talked About

Mrs. Howard, a famous London beauty, has had the words "Votes for Women" tattooed on her cheek.

Court costs and lawyer's fees took a \$100,000 slice of the fortune involved in the recent Scott will case in England. The inheritance tax came in for a handsome share. Yet there are thoughtless people who criticize persons making money by during life.

The prayers of Rev. Henry M. Couden, blind chaplain of the house of representatives, delivered during the last ten congresses, have been printed in book form by order of congress. Dr. Couden is a Universalist and has been chaplain of the house for twenty years.

New Jersey's funny bone shows marked development since the state became the foster mother of a president. A Newark grocerman, held up by footpads, cheerfully handed \$5,000 in stage money to the desperadoes. Imagine their feelings the morning after.

John O'Brien, the Columbia football star and heir to \$1,000,000, for whom his classmates have been looking since he disappeared from New York two years ago, has been found in Van Buren, Ark.

So greatly attached was George Shoemaker of Chester, Pa., to a pet black-and-tan dog he owned that he closed his place of business when the dog died and kept it closed until after the funeral services.

Charles P. Chase of Croton, N. Y., a fireman and engineer on the New York Central for the last eighteen years, has been appointed a public service commissioner at a salary of \$15,000. Mr. Chase is still making his regular runs on the Hudson river division pending the confirmation of his appointment.

Never having missed Sunday school for twenty consecutive years is the record held by three brothers in Germantown, Pa.—Stanley B., Elwood B. and F. Warren Doernbach, sons of Henry P. Doernbach. On the tenth anniversary of their attendance they were presented with gold badges by the Sunday school, and on the twentieth anniversary, just celebrated, they were given gold watch fobs, suitably inscribed.

Aimed at Omaha

Hastings Tribune: Omaha newspapers scrap almost as much as those red ink slingers of Denver do.

Hiverton Election: Harley G. Moorhead, Omaha's election commissioner, has refused registration to voters in Omaha unless they show their father's naturalization papers. Some of those refused have voted regularly in Omaha for thirty-eight years. What motto Omaha has to contend with is a caution—Howell of the Water board, Hortigan, his secretary, and now comes Moorhead.

Atkinson Graphic: A fellow in Omaha last week filed a petition in bankruptcy, the burden of which appears to be getting out of paying a bill he owes a brewing company for stout to some one, and a bill to the Neal Institute for dogs to take the same off. If Atkinson could get out of its present booby tangle as easily as that there wouldn't be anything to it.

Decatur Herald: Omaha's home rule charter has finally been completed by the committee. The form of ratifying will now be gone through at an election in which about one-third of the voters of the city will manifest interest enough to participate.

Kearney Hub: The Chollywooster department of the Omaha Bee always contains something spicy and well worth reading. Other portions of the paper may be flat, stale and unprofitable, but not so your Chollywooster dope.

Lyons Mirror: Did you read Colonel Fetterman's booth in The Bee? It was an appeal for the voters to let the \$20,000 armory at Nebraska City be erected and not invoke the referendum against it. We say he is wrong. Down with this armory and all other projects looking for the continuation of war. Let all good, moral, peace-loving people rise up and oppose this armory. Let us have peace.

Editorial Snapshots

Cleveland Plain Dealer: The extra session of congress seems likely to prove the tail that wags the regular session.

London Post: The Omaha papers headlined it loudly that Theodore, Jr., refused to talk. The boy evidently takes after his mother, as they would say in North Carolina.

Boston Transcript: The Oklahoma millionaire who has adopted 300 children and wants to adopt 700 more probably hasn't heard yet that the new income tax law only exempts the first two.

Philadelphia Bulletin: Senator Brister's ironical attack on the secretary of state wasn't quite clubby. Fellow editors from neighboring states ought to be more chummy, especially when both are such great friends of the plain people.

Philadelphia Ledger: It seems that Hayden, selected to assist in the prosecution of Caminetti, is a friend of the Caminetti family, but the commissioner general of immigration is not going to object to him on that account.

New York World: Senator Thomas thinks that the 1884 panic was due to Grover Cleveland's plotting with Wall street to force the repeal of the Sherman silver act. Since the panic began in the Baring failure at Christmas, 1890, when Mr. Cleveland was a practicing lawyer, his broad shoulders are asked to bear a good deal.

Philadelphia Record: These hot days ripen the corn crop. The wheat outlook already gathered is greater than that of last year. Our daily bread is assured. We have an aggregate foreign trade for the last twelve months of over \$4,000,000, a large increase as compared with the preceding twelve months, showing a heavy balance in our favor. And yet the growlers growl.

He Needs the Money

Boston Transcript: Who would have believed grape juice was so expensive?

New York Tribune: It is sad to say that Mr. Bryan will finally achieve the reputation of being the most ornamental secretary of state in the long annals of that office.

Baltimore American: It might be interesting to know if Mr. Bryan really considers that he earns what he gets in view of his declaration that he can't live on his salary as secretary of state.

Springfield Republican: If Secretary Bryan is unable to pay expenses on \$12,000 a year with only grape juice as a stimulant at the diplomatic dinners, what must it have cost his predecessors who kept well stocked wine cellars?

Brooklyn Eagle: In the official contract he has made, the people of the United States are the party of the first since the day of his deliverance from the power of evil habit I have been a firm believer in the Christian religion as it is exemplified in the new testament.

Twice Told Tales

Restless Joke: It was at a dinner party. The bright young man found himself privileged to sit next to the young woman with beautiful arms and neck. He thought himself the most favored personage in the room. Suddenly his fair companion exhibited signs of nervousness. Two of his very best jokes, saved for a special occasion, passed by unnoticed. Her face wore a look of alarm. Apparently the young man gazed at her and, meeting the look, she said: "I am in misery."

"In misery?" replied the man.

"Yes," she echoed. "I was vaccinated the other day and it has taken beautifully. I took almost scream. It hurts so."

"Why, where were you vaccinated?"

"In Boston," she replied, the smile chasing away the look of pain.—Boston Journal.

The Bee's Letter Box

Indictment Charges No Offense. GLENWOOD, Ia., July 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: In the recent discussion of religious themes an indictment is sought to be returned against the Creator. The crime charged is in reference to those children who were devoured by bears on account of mocking the prophet Elijah. Under all the circumstances it fails to state an offense.

In the first place He gave the life of those children and had the perfect and unquestionable right to summon it to Himself at any time. In the second place the children, were the sinners thereby, which is always true when any child, in accordance with His will, leaves this world with its untold burden of sin and pain and sorrow, surely awaiting them if they remain. Of still greater importance, however, the necessity existed that the people, strangers to God and blind to His law and purpose, must first of all learn reverence and respect for His word and His chosen representative, if they should reach the condition whereby His life and blessing might be imparted to them. The gifts of God, in their very nature, are so precious that they can only be given to them who through those fundamental conditions of mind and heart are thereby fitted to receive and retain and properly make use thereof.

The mantle of Elijah had shortly before fallen upon Elisha, and with it the power of that great hero, Elisha had just healed the bitter waters of Jericho, after which those children mocked him, when the bears came forth from the woods and devoured them.

Only as God's word and authority are established in the earth can men ever be saved from sin. The same rule which gives summer and winter and causes the sun to rise at a sure and certain time each day must prevail in respect to the higher realms of life and duty. His immutability is the hope of the whole world, in either the physical or the spiritual. Without that quality chaos would prevail in everything. Our hope for material food, as well as for the life to come is based alone on His unflinching word.

Every child born since the sin of Adam has begun to die at the moment of birth. With that condition it had not nearly so much of responsibility as those children in the case of Elisha. But no one will question that death is a part of the heritage of each and of all.

At that time and under the conditions then prevailing it was necessary that the lesson thereby conveyed should be given. It is equally as much important to us if we shall see it aright. Unbelief has caused all the suffering of the ages. If ever children might in innocence mock God to His face, let the person of His chosen prophet it would furnish a possible resemblance to an excuse for men to say: "I saw those children were spared and that God's laws are not always immutable, and I know I will not die as a result of just one little sin—my favorite weakness." The world must be awakened from delirious then almost universal, and it was not fitted for the full revelation of God which later came in the love which His son manifested. To prepare for Him it was necessary to make them know that His word means business. The particular situation could be met in no other way and close our lips to the possibility of His appearing to break His word concerning transgressions.

Through unbelief came death, for it was thus the temper prevailed by His, "thou shalt not surely die," as against the positive statement of God that sin would bring that result. We need to heed the lessons today and learn that His every word is everlasting. These children helped to convey that warning. God judges with equality and their case is in safe hands. I repeat again that no offense was made out against God in the indictment. INTERESTED READER.

Works Produced by Faith. CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 20.—To the Editor of The Bee: As a reader of The Bee I beg leave to say a few words in reply to the article written by Mr. John Soto.

As far as worldly education goes, I have no doubt that Mr. Soto is very well educated, but spiritually he is very ignorant. I will not attempt to argue from a doctrinal standpoint, but I can say from experience that the Christian religion has done a work in my heart which nothing else could do. And I ask Mr. Soto if he can point to any other agency that can take away the sinful nature and implant new desires and ambitions and give us a heart of love for everybody, for that is just what the Christian religion by Paul has done for me and millions of others and will do for Mr. Soto if he will only seek it.

Before my conversion I was not a believer in any particular doctrine and knew but little of the Bible, nor was I in the habit of going to any church; but since the day of my deliverance from the power of sinful habit I have been a firm believer in the Christian religion as it is exemplified in the new testament.

Re Hetch Hetchy.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—To the Editor of The Bee: The Yosemite National park is not only the greatest and most wonderful natural playground in California, but in some of its features it is without rival in the whole world—its silver fir and sequoia forests, its twin mountain rivers and its twin Yosemite. It belongs to the American people and in universal interest ranks with the Yellowstone and the Grand Canyon of the Colorado. The head waters of the two rivers embraced within its boundaries are the Merced and the Tuolumne. The Yosemite valley is in the Merced basin; the Hetch Hetchy valley the grand canyon of the Tuolumne, and the Tuolumne meadows are in the Tuolumne basin. Excepting only the Yosemite valley, the Tuolumne basin in its general features is the more wonderful and larger half of the park.

The Hetch Hetchy valley is a wonderfully exact counterpart of the great Yosemite, not only in its sublime cliffs and waterfalls and the peaceful river, but in the gardens, groves, meadows and camp grounds on its flowery parklike floor.

At a recent session of congress a most determined attack was made by the city of San Francisco to get the right to use the Hetch Hetchy valley as a reservoir site, thus depriving 50,000 people of one of their most precious possessions for the sake of saving San Francisco dollars.

As soon as this scheme became manifest, public spirited citizens all over the country entered their protests, and before the session was over, the park invaders saw that they were defeated and permitted the bill to die, without bringing it to a vote, so as to be able to try again.

Ever ready to take advantage of beclouding political changes, a bill having the same destructive purpose has been

THE DETAINED STATESMAN.

Washington Star. When the air is filled with rumor and your friends are out of humor, while the mercury is at 90 in the shade, when the flow of oratory always tells the same old story of an explanation that must be delayed—It is then he gets to thinking. Above the lands to which he longs to roam.

Of the turmoil and depression That attend an extra session—While the fences all need mending out at home.

Oh, a ruler most despotic Is a conscience patriotic, That compels a man to halt at duty's call.

There are cheers he longs to waken; There are hands that should be shaken; There are logs that should be rolled before next fall.

He must hold his place undaunted Where the battle flags are flouted And his voice must bravely echo 'neath the dome.

Though his mind is ever turning To the hope of an adjourning That will let him mend the fences out at home.

JOLLIES FROM JUDGE.

"Does the count intend to contest his wife's suit for divorce?" "No; but his creditors do."

Grocer—Would you like some horse-radish? Mrs. Newlywed—Mercy, no! We don't keep a horse!

"Of course you are paying for my

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