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APRIL CIRCULATION. 58,448. State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, ss. Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee Publishing Company, being duly sworn, says that average daily circulation for the month of April 1914 was 58,448.

Booster and then keep on boosting. Congressman Maguire is not so much surprised as he is gratified.

Take your choice—mushroom shapes, telescopes or optims? No, not cigars, but straw hats.

Why worry about dandelions, when you can as well think of the bumper, wheat, fruit and alfalfa crops in sight?

The president and his strenuous predecessor sat on the porch in the cool breeze and drank, they say, not grapefruit, but lemonade.

While pitying William Rockefeller in his illness, let us note the timeliness of all his sick spells, how they seem to save him from some annoying investigation.

The Kaiser's boys seem to have will of their own. Nevertheless, they are doubtless much interested in the old man's.

A municipal ice plant right now would, we believe, strike a more popular chord than a municipal lighting plant. No charge to the Water board for this tip.

Even the road to success merely leads to the grave," remarks an exchange. But, really, Thomas Gray had already put the thought in better language, "Paths of glory lead but to the grave."

How many of those political friends urging the colonel into immediate action, are looking for the first chance of clinging to his coat tails with a view of landing again at some old pile counter?

Not a word yet from the president of the Bar association in response to Edgar Howard's expose of perjury-breeding lawyers. Is it a case where the self-constituted investigators fear they might find what they are looking for?



THE CITY COUNCIL held a special meeting to investigate certain charges made by Councilman Ford against his colleagues. The subject was finally referred to a special committee.

The Nebraska delegation to the republican national convention at Chicago went out over the Washburn by way of St. Louis. Among them, J. H. McColl, Platte Creek; G. W. Burton, Orleans; C. P. Matthews, Norfolk; George A. Brooks, Basile Mills; Church Howe, Auburn; A. L. Reed, Weeping Water;

The remaining of Mrs. Lynch, wife of a prominent citizen of Sidney, were interviewed here, services being conducted by Rabbi Faber, and M. Hallman, R. Grunetack, M. Goldsmith, E. Newman, S. Kalish and M. Simpson acting as pallbearers.

Work of Hyman, the granite pavement on Thirteenth street has begun. C. J. Donohue, Omaha's efficient captain of police, has gone to Chicago, where his wife is seriously ill.

Another Important Railroad Decision.

The decision of the federal court rendered through Judge T. C. Munger in what is known as the St. Joseph & Grand Island case, even though litigation may be protracted by appeal, looms up as of almost as much importance to Nebraska people as the Pacific railroad merger.

In this instance the Union Pacific, pursuing the plan of the late E. H. Harriman, acquired control of a majority of the stock of the road running from Grand Island to St. Joseph, and undertook to make it the connecting link of a through line from the Puget Sound to Kansas City, using the earnings of the road to that end.

When the big unmerger decision came down from the supreme court, The Bee ventured the suggestion that the same logic would apply to some other questionable railroad combinations and the opinion seems to be having verification.

Legislative Indifference. The unalloyed brevity of the report of the secretary of the state banking board just off the press, submitting statistics covering the operations of the Nebraska state banks during the last fiscal year, is explained by this striking paragraph:

I will deviate from the former practice of the department in the matter of suggestions as to amendment of the banking act as it now exists, for the reason that I find the legislature very seldom is brought to consider amendments suggested.

Some Auto Figures. What is the economic meaning of the automobile industry in this country? Perhaps we may gather some idea from the figures of the earnings of some manufacturers:

Last year, as will be recalled, the biggest plant on its tenth anniversary declared a 500 per cent cash dividend, which meant the distribution of \$10,000,000. This year the same company declared a cash dividend of 100 per cent, in addition to its regular quarterly dividend of 15 per cent. On its \$20,000,000 capitalization in the last year ending May, 1913, it sold \$205,897,825 worth of cars, which netted profits to it of \$40,408,832.

But there is another side to the question. Stop and think what a gigantic industry for the employment of labor and the circulation of money in arteries of trade has been built up since the auto came in, marking another milestone in our march of progress.

Getting Away from Collars. Paris has sent us another summer fashion—just us men. It is the collarless neck. It is said to be all the rage over in Paris, has caught on somewhat in Chicago and elsewhere and bids fair to do a thriving business as we move slowly on our way toward the shortest day of the year.

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St. Louis Globe-Democrat: A life insurance company contests a policy of a man killed by an affinity on the ground that acquiring an affinity is a hazardous occupation. It is at least a hazardous diversion.

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Invited Nathan to Omaha. OMAHA, May 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: Now that Mayor Nathan of Rome, a personality of world renown, is soon to be received by this republic as an envoy of Italy to the Panama-Pacific International exposition, I believe it eminently appropriate that so respectable and distinguished a personality be urged to accept the hospitality of the people of Omaha.

In celebrating so momentous an event in the history of nations, Italy sends its most illustrious son, Mayor Nathan, the apostle of the new ideas now animating the national life of modern Italy, to view, with representatives of other nations, the most remarkable physical achievement; the completion of the Panama canal.

Yes, the voice of Nathan should be heard throughout this land to inspire a stronger conviction and a greater allegiance of our countrymen to those motives which impelled our ancestors to revolution and the consequent founding of this republic and to further awaken the national consciousness to the passions of men that run counter to the freedom and progress of this nation.

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In Other Lands

Troublesome Albanians. The hand made state of Albania is making progress as the trouble factory of eastern Europe. Molded out of the loot of the Balkan war, some of its numerous tribes and creeds are kicking over the traces of destiny prepared by the triple alliance.

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GRINS AND GROANS.

"I heard the new doctor is very strict in his principles. Didn't he take anything when he called this morning?" "Only my temperature and his leave." —Baltimore American.

"What's the trouble, John?" exclaimed the amazed wife. "Hot weather!" "Hot weather can't give you a black eye!" "I got into an argument with a haughty friend about the best way to keep cool." —Washington Star.

"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin," quired the sage. "Yes, but 99 per cent of us continue to be poor relations," added the fool. —Louisville Courier-Journal.

"How would you classify a telephone girl?" is here a business or a profession? "Neither: it is a calling." —Christian Register.

Mrs. Bryde—I told my husband I was going to give him something of my own cooking and he said I'd better try it on the dog first. Wasn't that a cruel suggestion? "Her Friend—Very! And I thought your husband was so fond of dogs." —Chicago News.

"When you prove that a man is a grafter, people will regard him with aversion." "Some will," replied Senator Sorghum, "but unfortunately a lot of them will be slightly envious of him." —Washington Star.

"Pa, would you be glad if I saved you a dollar?" "Certainly would, my son." "Well, you remember you promised if I brought a good report from my teacher you'd give me a dollar, and I didn't." —Boston Transcript.

He found his front porch with wonderful accuracy, navigated the steps with precision, and discovered the keyhole by instinct. Once in the dimly lighted hall...

There was an ominous silence, followed by a tremendous crash. "Why, what has happened, Henry?" came a voice from above. "It's all right, Mary, but I'll learn those goldfish to snap at me!" —Every body's Magazine.

TAPISTRY OF DREAMS. National Magazine. When the moon like moist amber floods my room with golden light, and through the open window I can scan the ribboned road...

My shuttle's made of memories, my mind's the whirling loom, and my skein the joys and sorrows of a living human soul.

Some time it will be finished, and content I'll sink to rest, no longer let the moonlight search the corners of my room, but close the lattice shutters to the then unknown guest.

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