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MAY CIRCULATION. 54,751

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 May, 1914, was 54,751.

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The colonel's throat may be sore, but let no amateur map-makers presume too far on the affluence.

If Villa does not get what he wants, it must be only because he does not force Carranza to come across.

An Omaha oil company incorporates in Illinois. Why? Are not Nebraska's corporation laws liberal enough?

An aeronaut tells of taking a shave while in the air. Where close shaves are supposed to be rather common.

Dr. George Brandes found Americans 'too busy.' Too busy, most of them, to bother listening to him.

It begins to look as if Huerta were just holding on to keep our secretary of state off the chautauqua circuit.

The impairment of the colonel's voice, however, cannot prevent him from exchanging the big stick for the big pencil.

The people of Peterson, N. J., 'buried the hammer' with impressive ceremony. There are other hammers waiting to be buried.

Colonel Rye, the democratic candidate for governor of Tennessee, has this much in his favor, that most of it is made of corn in his state.

What's the matter with the First Nebraska Circuit? Is congressional timber so scarce there that ninety-day carpetbaggers have to be requisitioned?

It is well to conserve the flood waters, but what a pity this grand old June ozone in Nebraska cannot also be conserved for the use of less blessed sections.

Huerta is said to take only three or four hours' sleep a night—or perhaps along toward day. Yet he manages to keep rather wide-awake at the switch.

It should be distinctly understood—and it's a good rule—that nobody in the police department can run for office and continue on the payroll—except the head boss.

One of the most important reasons to loam in running an automobile is to control the impulse which says, as the auto and train approach a railroad track, 'Go on, you can beat it across.'

A fusion of republicans and bull moosers has already been agreed on in one Nebraska county, according to a stipulated division of places on the ticket. Democrats and pops showed 'em how in days gone by. It's a long lane that has no turning.

When a man wants a public office with a salary attached, he goes after any old job he thinks he can get. For new proof of this old truism, behold Mr. Shallenberger, who, after serving as governor and chasing the senatorship, has again trotted himself out on the track for congress.

At Barnabas' school commencement held the boards with interesting exercises, including a recitation in two parts, 'Two Little Welcome,' by Master Willie Burnham and Lottie Taber; a recitation, 'The Blue-Boys' Nest,' by Master Warner Field; a song, 'The Cows Are in the Corn,' by Jennie McColland; a recitation, 'The Bird House,' by Sarah Colwell; and several numbers by the class in concert. The actor's medal for department in the boys' room went to Augustus Kountze.

Maurice Hengen and Miss Hannah Nelson were married by Rev. W. E. Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Boggs returned from a two weeks' pleasure trip to Colorado.

John F. Coad of Cheyenne is registered at the Millard.

Omaha bicyclists have organized the Omaha Wheel club with these officers: President, O. H. Gordon; vice president, Charles Woodman; secretary and treasurer, C. A. Caspar; captain, John Hitchcock.

D. W. Saxe has a miniature belt railroad in his store window, with a little engine and cars running.

The program of the high school commencement shows that nine pupils will be graduated, each of them having a part. The names are: Lizzie Van Sant, Jessie E. Reed, Maud Kendall, Jessie E. Hubbard, Douglas M. Graves, Edna M. Wilson, Ida C. Jones, Anson H. Sigelov, Gertrude A. Jones.

The Income Tax Fall-down. Returns under the new federal income tax law for the initial year foreshadow a shortage of upwards of \$20,000,000 below the estimates made at the time the law was enacted.

As would naturally be expected under such circumstances, the cry of fraud and threat of prosecution of tax dodgers already follows. While doubtless much evasion has been practiced, the real indictment must lie against the fictitious estimate, which is now proved to be a wild guess, for in framing the estimate allowance was supposed to be made for a normal percentage of tax shirking.

Either one or all of several things must, therefore, have happened—first, the estimate of current income overshoot the mark; second, the allowance for evasion was altogether too small; third, the law is defective in its indefiniteness as to whether certain classes of income are taxable; fourth, the shrinkage of individual incomes since the democratic administration took control proved even greater than was feared.

In a nutshell, conceding the justice and effectiveness of the income tax as a part of our revenue system, democratic administration does not offer the best time to inaugurate it.

Let Them Set the Example. The National Federation of Woman's clubs embraces some of the most intellectual and alert feminine minds of the country. A deliverance of the federation in national convention, therefore, is worthy of serious consideration.

But now, what of the deliverance? Can it be successfully applied? Surely this organization should have some influence. Admittedly the test is a severe one, for girls and women have shown themselves all but impervious to criticism, intolerant of advice and dumb to direction in all matters of dress.

An Experiment Worth Watching. Lack of organization in reaching his customers and more successful competing in the marketing of his product is one of the chief handicaps of the farmer. To supply the deficiency is the object of every plan or measure looking to the improvement of farming as a business.

So those Kansas farmers who have organized the Federation of the Farmers and Consumers' Produce association are on the right track, as their bylaws indicate:

To enable the farmers to sell their produce directly to the consumers without the aid of unnecessary middlemen; to foster its members in every way possible; to buy and sell direct from producer to consumer and to secure just railroad service and rates and equal and just service on any and all of the markets within our territory.

While this is said to be the first organization of the kind in the country, the principle is not new. It is the same, only more fully worked out, that has underlain all the co-operative creamery, fruit growers, grain storage and kindred schemes. There is no reason why the federation should not make a go of it provided only it commands the necessary executive ability.

No Connection Whatever. A Chicago lawyer named Kerr was made civilly governor of Vera Cruz, and then, suddenly despoiled of his official title and emoluments after a few days upon discovery that he had made a speech criticizing President Wilson's watchful waiting Mexican policy.

A leading St. Louis business man, head of the Simmons Hardware company, was selected for appointment on the federal reserve board which is to have charge of the new banking system, but was immediately dropped after letters turned up in which Mr. Simmons had joined in urging congress to give business a rest, notwithstanding President Wilson's demand for immediate enactment of his anti-trust program.

Of course, there is absolutely no connection whatever between the several incidents in either case.

As the result of an investigation, the Sunshine society of New York may be prosecuted for improperly diverting money collected for charitable purposes. That is not an accusation, but it is a warning to charitable organizations everywhere supported by public contributions.

The Woman's club which started out as a self-culture club movement seems now fast becoming part of our general reform propaganda. The question remains whether the two can be made to go together, or whether the new activity will crowd out the old.

No, Hans Wagner is not the name of a mythological character; it is the patronymic of a distinguished figure in the arena of greatest American activity, the man who has made his 3,000th hit, and he began his career some time after Zeus had fanned out.

The new federal judiciary reform bill, just passed by the lower house, abolishes the fee system for court clerks and limits them to stated salaries. That bill will not be popular with our fee-grabbing district court clerk, even though it does not apply to him.

George W. Perkins is said to be 'not worrying' over Amos Pinchot's spectacular effort to drive him away from Armageddon. Why should he, when he understands that the whole thing is merely a scheme to help land-labor vote for Brother Gifford?

The Bee's Letter Box

Brief contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

Safety First. MADISON, Neb., June 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: Since that terrible accident on West Center street happened, it recalls my trip to Omaha lately, going in on West Dodge street where the road crosses the Union Pacific railroad from the west you will find another death trap where sooner or later you will find just such an accident as this that just happened.

Ask Some One Else. OMAHA, June 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: I bought a ticket about two weeks ago for a lecture to be given for the benefit of the orphans of a loudly heralded new play from abroad.

Science and the Bible. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., June 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: I see that the statement made by the scientist, Lucien Laskin, attacking the writers of the Bible, goes seemingly unnoticed and unchallenged.

Here and There. The American typewriter has been adapted to Bengalese. United States last year imported \$22,412 pounds of mushrooms, valued at \$1,170,359.

Nebraska Editors. The Tecumseh Chieftain appeared last week in a brand new dress. Editor C. F. Gordon of the Talmage Tribune is a candidate for sheriff in Otoe county.

Nebraska Editors. Joseph Heins, who has been editor of the Verdigris citizen since 1911, has sold the paper to J. F. Panik.

Nebraska Editors. The Bradshaw Monitor, owned by L. D. Beltzer, which has been under lease for the last two years, first to R. J. Ricey and then R. A. Allen, has again been taken charge of by the owner, Mr. Beltzer.

Nebraska Editors. A 'nautical crime' some caustic critics have called Sir Thomas Lipton's new cup-yacht, Shamrock IV. From the descriptions it must be the ugliest of the cup yachts of the year, as the Vanitie appears to be the prettiest.

Nebraska Editors. Apropos of the Montessori method and other radical changes introduced in the education and upbringing of children, F. Irving Fletcher, the brilliant after-dinner speaker, said at a tea at Sherry's in New York:

A Montessori Kid. 'An old-fashioned mother was about to spank her little girl. She laid her, therefore, in the old-fashioned way across her knee.

Nebraska Editors. 'If I'm to be spanked, mother, at least let me have some air.'—Buffalo Express.

Japanese Womanhood

By Uta-Ro Shimoda, Principal of a Girls' School in Japan, Author and Educator

Education is like horticulture. If one engages in horticulture with sincerity of purpose, the ordinary wild flowers or the common plants may be made pleasant to look at and serviceable.

It is the same with education. In order to adopt the methods of foreign countries of different manners, customs and habits, we should first carefully examine them before we decide to adopt them.

The honor of the Japanese women is that she becomes a good wife and a good mother. She is fit to be the queen of her household, and not the queen of society.

I do not wish to be misunderstood as being content merely with our own virtues, and objecting to take lessons from others. If we can maintain the ideal of imperial Japanese nationalism, that is the basic principle of Bushido education.

George is just an honest little boy. He isn't a general or a president to me. He is only my George, who is a dutiful boy to his mother, and kind to his neighbors.

Again, when a certain person visited the mother of Washington, and meeting an elderly country woman employed in garden work, advised her to retire from service, the mother was astonished, and replied:

'My son is the chief magistrate of the nation, so he may receive treatment as such. I am only an old country woman of Mount Vernon, and mustn't overstep the bounds of my social position.'

'It is not by accident that America has become what it is today. When I was in the presence of this old woman of coarse linen, I noticed that there was more of the brilliant glory than there is in the presence of the queen of a great nation.'

After her death the people in erecting a tomb for her, decided that, for one whose life works were so great and illustrious, there was no need of recording them on the tombstone in detail. Petty words, such as might be carved on the tombstone, would tend only to detract from the greatness of the mother.

I went through Europe and America soon after the Chinese war of 1894-5, in order to investigate the education of women abroad.

As the result of the extravagance of the people on account of victory in the war, which would most society, and, at the same time, establish a school where the girls might be educated to become virtuous wives and good mothers.

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People and Events

The estate left by the late high commissioner of Canada, Baron Strathcona, foots up \$2,267,000. Inheritance taxes pinched the fortune for \$4,189,130.

The average government salary in Washington is \$1,675 and the average for the whole country is \$948. Hardly worth expense expended in breaking in.

Empire Nicholas of Russia has the distinction of being the first ruler to establish a government department of physical culture and is under the direction of a cabinet minister.

An elderly maiden member of one of the first families of Philadelphia, Miss Shippen, who died recently, left \$2,000,000 of her fortune to charity.

George Shiras III, who has just arrived in Panama to assist Colonel Goethals in making the canal zone a large and safe haven for birds and animals, is the originator of night photography of wild animals.

Gibbs—When my wife invites her women friends to visit her, she'll never let them go.

'What is that woman on the soap box talking about?' 'She says she wants a vote.'

'I spent hours trying to make an impression on Henrietta by thinking up something to tell her that she doesn't know.'

Puzzled Diner (to restaurant waiter)—What have you got for dinner? Waiter—Roast beef, fried chicken, stew.

NEVER TOO LATE. Christian Herald. Say, my friend, though you've known dismal failure, Do not idly stand mute with despair.

Till he hopefully ceases all trying. Until then, not a man is e'er downed. For there's always the chance a new effort.

Start anew with a spirit determined. Start anew and let nothing dismay! From the jaws of defeat wrest a victory!

Big Dollar Shoe Sale. Benson & Thorne's SATURDAY.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY. Announce Important Sales Scheduled For SATURDAY. Remarkable Sale of Men's Pure Thread Silk Hose. Sale of Men's Negligee Shirts That You Can't Afford to Miss.

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