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JULY CIRCULATION.

State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, as Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bea Publishing company, being duly sworn, says that

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Peace in Mexico-at least for the next twenty-four hours.

The returned voyagers will now be kept busy telling all about it.

For up-to-the-minute war | news readably presented look to The Bee.

Only three more days before the primary election. Do your vote-chasing now.

Prosit! Yes, and before the tax on beer is doubled as a consequence of the war.

comes from Nebraska's cornfields, not Belgium's gay capital.

If you wish to start something on assmall scale, ask a German shoenaker for a pair of French heels.

Rising Fun. Ind., has reached its zenith in

the anniversary of its centenary, which it is now celebrating.

one bridge at a time. A Kansas man has wisely observed that when a book "is very suitable as a gift," it is rarely worth reading.

Senators hopeful of peace are said to see a bright light ahead. Can it be the mirage of

Still, war to justify itself ought to have some larger effect than merely making people brush up on their geography.

If the president succeeds in catching the rascals who are raising food prices without cause he ought to "skin 'em alive."

The prince of Wales' relief fund is nearly \$4,500,000. Looks as if our British friends expected to have some relieving to do.

Our senator is keeping out of the democratic rumpus at home, but he is represented by a proxy who cannot tell where he is at.

compelling about it these days to draw even a glance from eyes riveted on big war news.

A tornado has blown down a chautauqua tent in Missouri. And to think of the tent succumbing after withstanding all those oratorical air blasts!

ica grieves for his dear teacher in danger of being marconed in Europe until after the time for school to open.

If the A. B. C. mediators had all they could do to patch up our differences with Mexico, it will take a whole alphabet of diplomate to fix things over the way.

umphal entry of the capital until they can go arrayed in new uniforms should remember that clothes make a soldier of peace no more than



The sensation of the day is the marriage of Mr. John Reed and Mrs. Ward, the lady who figured prominently in the Bonner-Ward scandal which disupted a church and started several sufts to court. Rev. J. S. Detweller, pastor of the English Lutheran church, fied the knot, and Mr. Will Ward, a son of

Rev. P. M. Dimick, formerly pastor of the Congregational church of this city, and his wife, are on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe. They have resided n California since 1872.

William M. Bushman has gone to New York City in buy goods for fall trade.

lish in which, when cut open, he found the thumb of a man.

Colonel E. C. Chase, who has been confined to his bed for eight weeks, has so far recovered as to be

The Union Pacific base ball team left for St. Louis, Where they will play the Browns and St. Louis Unions. Those who went were: Bandle, Funkhouser, Cavanaugh, Rockwell, Sallsbury, Dwyer, McKelvey, Whitney, Welch, Taylor and Sneed, accompanied by Manager Garnegu and Charlie Goodtich for the board of directors.

The Hope of Peace.

While public interest hangs upon every bulletin from the front bearing upon the impending "great battle," the object toward which anxiety must be directed is the first vital opening for the wedge of mediation or arbitration. For it is unthinkable that a war involving all of Europe directly, and other parts of the world indirectly, should be indefinitely prolonged.

It is conceded that peace is not possible until there has been more significant fighting. The powers must really feel the force of opposing arms before they are apt to turn favorably to any peacemaker's plan. If, however, all the protestations by the crowned hends of Europe deploring war are to be taken at their face value, then we may hope for an early turn in affairs. As the progress of events thus far has made pacificists out of many militants in neutral lands, so we may look for a corresponding effect upon some of the influential ones involved as the terrible drama moves on to its cli-

The issues in the present struggle are daily multiplying and the ramifications increasing with each change that occurs. Old compacts no longer hold, even blood relationship is not a safe gauge of alliance and so many of the smaller nations are yet to declare themselves. It is now believed Switzerland and Spain may, of all the continental powers, remain outside the ranks of war, If so, Turkey will be soon fighting its old ailies, England and France, but for its same cherished prize, the Aegean Islands, and Greece, Roumania and Bulgaria line up. each to satisfy its own ambition.

One glimpse of this terrible entanglement surely suggests the task of peace. The present meaning of the war, its loss of life and property. paralysis of business, financial cost of maintenance with consequent and incidental pain and suffering, must eventually outweigh other considerations in the pursuit of peace.

A Lesson in Efficiency.

The completion of the Panama canal months ahead of scheduled time is an object lesson in maximum efficiency which all our public servants may well take home to themselves. It shows what can be done when the business methods of private industry are applied to public enterprise.

Former President Taft predicted the completion of the canal by January 1, 1915. It is completed and ready for use now. Some work remains to be done before the largest vessels may pass through without difficulty, but it is ready for use by all ships that now use the Suez. Incidentally, that may mean more than even the builders of the Panama realized. Should the European war be long continued there is no telling about the freedom of the Suez, and should it be closed, much larger traffic would go to the Panama.

In any event, peace, war or what not, the achievement wrought by the builders of our own canal stands forth as a lasting tribute to their genius and patriotism and an everlasting illustration of what might be accomplished all along the line of efficient public service, from the lowliest municipal job up to the highest federal office with the same intelligent direction.

The War and the Farmer. In another column of this page The Bee prints a letter in which the writer intimates that for the American farmer to take advantage of war prices for the products he has to sell marks him "as the incarnation of selfishness." For the farmer we answer that he is no more selfish in taking advantage of market conditions in war time, or any other time, than is the average business man selling his wares or workingman selling his labor. The only place where the farmer gets the better of it on this occasion is that the rise of prices has taken place while his wheat, corn and other food products are still in his own hands instead of in the hands of the middlemen who would otherwise have taken all the extra profit, Because the money is to accrue to the farmer instead of to the speculator will not alter the situation so far as it concerns either the consumer at home or the customer abroad. So long, therefore, as the farmer does not resort to unfair methods to influence the market, what profits he may reap through war prices will be his by rights, and present no good ground for charging him with either selfishness or lack of sympathy for the unfortunate burden-bearers of the war.

Censored and Uncensored News. Those who, not only in times of war, but of

peace as well, think they would prefer an official news censorship may now have an opportunity to see how such a scheme works out in practice. All news from Europe is rigidly censored today, yet is it more satisfactory because of that? Large volumes of war news are being received which may be more nearly accurate than some are disposed to think, but the fact that the news filters through interested official channels makes people skeptical.

The point to be emphasized is that the way to get accurate news is not to have it censored, for no matter who or what the censorship may be, it colors or suppresses the news, otherwise there would be no occasion for censoring. Perfection may not be found in our usual processes of publicity any more than elsewhere, yet surely with accuracy its vital asset everyone knows that the reputable newspaper prefers to print the truth, and all the truth, and, of course, can get at the truth best when untrammelled by censorship.

Getting After Price Boosters. All power to the president in reaching those using the war as a pretext for raising prices and making it harder to live. He is evidently not proceeding on surmise, for he declares that "The rapid and unwarranted increase in the prices of foodstuffs in this country on the pretext of the conditions existing in Europe is so serious and vital a matter that I take the liberty," addressing the attorney general, "of call-

ing your attention to it." That sounds like a call to the attorney general to institute criminal prosecution if necessary to stop the abuse, and if he cannot find a law to fit the case, the president will ask con-

gress to enact one. Such a situation calls for prompt and vigorous action, and the president's activity will be halled with general satisfaction. It is not a time for impassioned outcries so much as preventive measures. If natural conditions of supply and demand do not warrant price increases, artificial conditions should not be permitted to.

The Bees

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

Politics to Rate Making. NORTH LOUP, Neb., Aug. 15 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I had intended saying no more on political subjects this year. would not have said so much had the spetuous political machine of Lincoln not rearranged its plans so often. Each arrangement called for another answer. The primary election being at hand, a new stunt was to be performed, which, they say, required seven years to unfold.

Politicians are inclined to be foxy. The people are to be surprised by the form of an order issued by the rallway commission reducing railway rates 19 per cent. The objection to much of this rate fixing business is that much of the facts are kept from the people.

Mad they said seven weeks, the assertion

should more strongly appeal to the public.

The commission has entered upon the policy of selecting a half dozen cities of the state as jobbing centers and those centers are favored above every other part of the state. Suppose that freight might be shipped from York to all parts of the state at a 20 per cent lower rate than from any other point in the state: York would soon become the commercial center of the state. The commission has not made York the center, but it has given that monopoly to about a half dozen cities. There is no hindrance to the jobbers of those cities in setting the profits on their goods as they have valuable protection in freight rates. The large cities have good rallway facilities and why in addition to that give them the advantage of rates? Are we legalizing real estate values? If the people will take a little time to look into this subject they may find politics in it. To what extent will the new rate schedule affect the primary election? These methods of making rates should be thoroughly sifted.

Observations of a Mere Man. SIOUX CITY, Ia., Aug. 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: I have watched with the glee of an impartial and unprejudiced observer the travail of the suffragists and anti-suffragists in this column-not

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quite impartial perhaps for I am not yet persuaded that the more charming sex should be allowed to sell its pretty fingers in the mire of politics, but the controversy is interesting and amusing and the most amusing part of it is this 'feminism''-free love agony. Have the fair charmers taken the precaution to look up the definition of

'feminiam'' before making their charges and their denials? It would appear notbut here it is as given in the Standard dictionary: "Feminism, the doctrine of the equality of women with men." is your free love there, dear antis? You will have to try again and find another epithet if you want to be really opprobrious; this is to innocuous. As to "free love"-I have not yet done

chortling over the pictures presented to my vision of Dr. Shaw, Jane Addams and the other excellent ladies who are at the head of state and national suffrage organizations, beckoning their fellowers to mysterious and secret conferences on "The Best Method of Teaching Free Love to the Masses," or "How to Destroy the Home," all this at the behest of the two or three irresponsible privates in their ranks. Help! Don't make me laugh again!

Let us see: Mrs. Belmont and Miss Milholland have, so it is said, done a vast amount of good work in trying to amelforate the conditions of the poor working women of the East Side of New York-all honor to them-but surely no one takes their writings seriously, rather weak stuff I found them and not likely to have an influence on the sane, level headed Amertean woman. Mrs. Gilman and Mrs. Kenton are cleverer, but rather ridiculous Does anyone seriously suppose that the women of this country, suffragettes or antis, are going to put their bables in a municipal institution to be raised se that mamma can go out to work? Not while papa holds his job. As to Ellen Key, Margaret Doland, Catherine Gallichen-(see "The Truth About Women")these three are "feminists," to use the distorted sense of the word, they are cleverer and stronger and also more extreme than the rather wishy-washy people I have just enumerated, but they are anti-suffragists, one and all; they admit it themselves. And, since we are on the subject, what about 19mma Goldman, than whom there is no more violent opponent of woman suffrage? There's a "free lover" for you-she not only preaches free love, but openly acknowledges that she

practices it. Here are the anti-suffragists and their paid leader, herself, writing beautiful, long letters to the papers, telling us how immoral are the suffragists, all sorts of other terrible things about them, and they never answer. Do you think it's fair, dear suffs, to put your enemy to all this frouble to start something all for no result, not to mention the disappointment to onlookers like myself, who want to see a nice, evenly matched scrap, with the victory to the best man-woman-I mean? S. H. MOORE,

The War and the Farmer.

SOUTH OMAHA, Aug. 12.-To the Editor of The Bee: The American farmer, if we are to credit the cartoon in today's Bee, is the incarnation of seifishness Complacently he smokes his pipe and smiles with a self-satisfied air while the god of war pounds up the price of provisions. In the language of the carteonist. "He Should Worry" that thousands, perhaps millions, of foreign farmers will be unable to harvest or market their crops, and that the people of their country will in consequence suffer severely for the necessities of life. "He should worry" that the poor of his own country will also suffer in a greater or less degree by their inability to meet the advanced prices.

Let us hope that this is not a true characterization, and that there are many farmers who do not consider the high prices they will receive for their produce as sufficient to offset the weal and woe E. J. McMANUS. 1017 North Twenty-eighth street.

Around the World

'Urugusy now has an American shoe

Americans are successfully strilling for oil in China.

Fifty Hungarian servant girls went on a allence strike in Budapest, vowing not to speak a word until their employers allowed them two calling nights weekly. of the treasury.

In Other Lands

of housing its working classes. The chairman of the

London County Council Housing committee shows

London's Housing Problem. London continues to struggle with the difficulties

very clearly that, while old structures no longer sanitary, are being demolished, they are not being replaced as rapidly as the demands multiply. The result is congestion and increased rents. But not this alone increases the rents. Many and far-reaching are the causes, some world-wide. It is interesting to note how this very local situation is affected by world events, or, as the official referred to writing in The National Review of London states it, how "powerless is the individual in the face of world events." He goes on to show that the chief difficulty is that "the renting capacity of the working class has not increased with the recent rather sudden rise in the cost of building, with the increase in the rate of interest on loan capital and with the rise in rates and taxes." After declaring that the politicians are wrong in charging up the situation merely on the ground that land owners are holding up land values, since land all round London is begging to be bought for building, he concludes: "World-wide and also local causes have to do with the phenomena, causes such as the output of African gold, with its effect upon prices. the development of Canada, Argentina, and other lands, with their consequent pull by high offers upon British capital, and the resulting rise in interest on loan capital in England itself; the ambition of Germany and the consequent sinking of capital in the British fleet, (evidently while proud of their fleet, some Britons seem to regard it as a costly nucessity). social legislation by Parliament, which increases rates and taxes, and therefore makes economic rents rise; threatened land legislation of a socialist character (a slap at Lloyd George), which makes men unwilling to lend money to builders except at high rates of interest; and increased pressure of both local and imperial taxation." These and other reasons explain, to this writer's mind, why the poor cannot easily get cottages enough to live in. Christianity in Kores.

Evidently the Christian church has nothing to complain of as a result of the so-called Japanese persecution of native Christians at a Korean mission station a few years ago. For today, according to official records, there are 599 missionaries actively at work in Kerea, with 1,000 native pastors, large numbers of students and others. Japan is given credit by Christian church authorities with helping on the forward provement by the establishment and maintenance of 236 elementary schools, beside high schools, normal schools, schools of law, medicine, civil service, business, industry, agriculture and forestry." Korea has a population of 13,000,000 and the religious forces are endeavoring to bring as many as possible speedly within the bounds of modern faith.

Quiuine by Parcel Post.

Slamese, in a section of that faroff country infected with a malaria fever epidemic, are finding the parcel post of the western world a great boon. They are receiving from England, Germany and Canadaor were before the war-large supplies of quinine pills and tablets by this means of transportation and are successfully combatting the disease. Heretofore they had to wait from six to nine months to receive goods by freight from the United States, so that they are in a position thoroughly to appreciate the value of the parcel post. And the experience may contain a valuable suggestion to our own country, which was all too late in coming to this system.

treets Paved with Rubber.

The story of how streets may be paved with rubper may stretch the facts a little, and yet it was freely predicted at the recent Fourth International Rubber exhibition in London that before long we should be having rubber as the surface of our theroughfares. It would give us noiseless strests, for one thing, and, scientists say, afford as durable a pavement as asphalt. This seems to be another evidence of a rapidly bouncing ago.

Twice Told Tales

One Calls for Two. Senator J. T. Robinson said of a proposed bill in which he disbelleved:

"Such a bill would land us from the frying pan into the fire. Such a bill, in fact, reminds me of Abbas Bey. "Abbas Bey, and oriental potentate, was giving

fate, and before him, on a Louis Quinse table lay a superb watch, the gift of the German emperor. "Suddenly the electric lights failed. For a full minute Abbas Boy and his guests were in darkness.

Then the lights went up again, and, alas the splendid jeweled watch had disappeared. "'My good friends,' said Abbas Bey in suave diplematic tones, 'the lights will now be lowered

afresh and I will expect that the person who took my watch-in order to look at it-will put it back on the table again. "In a profound silence the lights once more went out. There was a slight sound as of metal against wood. Then the lights went up again, and Abbas

Bay discovered that instead of the watch being returned, a gold eigarctte case, the gift of Queen Victoris, had disappeared as well."-Detroit Free Press. Let Her Sab. Innocently the two old farmers looked at each other as they chatted in the busy marketplace, talk-

ing on 'taters, turpips, and all other old farm claptrap. And then, as if it had just occurred to him, old Pontin asked Farmer Steele if he still felt inclined to sell that Shorthorn cow. "Will you take twelve pounds for her?" he sug-

gusted offhandedly. "No, no," murmured Steele stolidly, as he lovingly fingered his watch chain "Couldn't part wi' 'er for

that, by a long way." "Oh, but I thought you said last market day as how you might let her go for that!" suggested Pontin-

"Maybe. But something's 'appened to 'er since then. "She bain't dead?" said the prospective buyer, looking up quickly.

"No: but the missus, she's dead set on that coo. Wouldn't part wi' 'er for anythink, and quite loves her. She'd sob 'er eyes out if I parted wi' that coo." "Um. Suppose that ends it, then" said the

farmer, as he prepared to move along. "Well, I don't know. Look here, Pont, make it (we)ve-pound-ten, and let the missus sob!"-Answers.

People and Events

Francols Elie Jules Lemaitre, the Prench dramatic critic, playwright, poet and novelist, died Thursday of last week at his home in Paris. He was born in 1823.

Maurice Francis Figan, the American minister to Denmark, who has recovered from a serious operation, received a telegram of congratulation from the king and queen of Denmark.

Prof. George G. Heye of the University of Pennsylvania has appealed to the supreme court to set aside his conviction on a charge of desecrating graves. He was fined \$100 for removing skeletons of Indians from the burying grounds at Minisink. Returns from Missouri show that Senator William Stone has been renominated on the democratic

ticket by an overwhelming majority. S. G. Luts of Chicago has been appointed general traffic manager of the Chicago & Alton railway. Prof. Robert P. Harper, instructor of Semitic languages and literature at the University of Chicago,

President Wilson nominated Representative Andrew J. Peters of Boston to be assistant secretary SUNNY SMILES.

"What's Clancy doing now, Mike"
"He's got some kind o' political job.
Game warden in Madison Square or somethin . - Life

"What's the matter with our morone friend,"
"Political indignation," replied Senator
Sorgum. "The pork barrel and ple counter were too much for him."—Washington

Golf Professional (giving a lesson)— You know, sir, you lift your elbow too much to play golf properly. New Member—How dare you! I'll re-port you to the committee! I'm a life-long tectotaler!—London Sketch.

Deacon (to vicar in vestry)—Are you suffering from a cold, sir?
Vicar—No, why do you ask?
Deacon—Well, there's about a dozen lozenges in the collection plate:—London

POET LAUREATE'S CALL

Photographer (taking plain-looking girl and her escort)-Now, try not to think of yourselves at all-think of something pleasant,-London Opinion.

Robert Bridges, the poet laureate, con-

butes the following ver in Times: Thou careless, awake: Thou peacemaker, fight: Stand, England, for honor. And God guard the right

Thy mirth lay aside.
Thy cavil and play.
The foe is upon thea
And grave is the day.

The monarch Ambition Has harnessed his slaves but the folk of the ocean Are tree as the waves.

For peace, thou art prined

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Thy freedom to hold.

Thy courage as from.
Thy good faith as gold.

Torough fire, air, and water Thy trial must be. But they that love life best Die gladly for thee.

The love of their mothers.

Is strong to command.
The fame of their fathers
Is might to their hand. Much suffering shall cleanse thes. Shalt win to salvation. To beauty through blood.

Ye peacemakers, fight. England stands for hone God defend the right.

The following poem is by Stephen Phillips: He said: "Thou petty people, let me What canst thou do but bow to me and kneel?"
But sudden a dry land caught fire like And answer hurtled but from shell and

He looked for silence, but a thunder Came
Upon him, from Liege a leaden hall.
All Belgium flew up at his throat in flame I at her gates amazed his legions quali.

Take heed, for now on haunted ground they tread: There bowed a mightier war lord to his half: Fear! Lest that very green grass again grow red With blood of German new as then with Gaul. Fear!

If him whom God destroys He maddens Then thy destruction slake thy madman's

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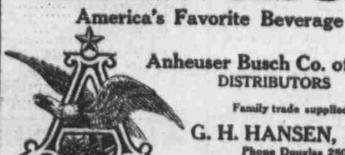
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