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State of Nebraska, County of Douglas, ss. Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee Publishing company, being duly sworn, says that the average daily circulation for the month of Sep-tember, 1914, was 55,519. DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 2d Cay of October, 1914. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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Tomorrow's the day for the voting.

Campaign manager's last word: "Vote-erstraight."

Grit is more abundant than grain just now in several European countries.

It's up to the weather man to fix the size of the total number of votes cast.

French Go Through-Headline. Evidently led by a good center rush.

Very naturally the thirteenth week of the war must prove unlucky for some of the combatents.

The candidate who is not sure that he is as good as elected is woefully lacking in selfconfidence.

Mexico shows signs of coming to its senses in the vote at Aguas Calientes to eliminate both Villa and Carranza.

A crossmark for university consolidation is a crossmark for a greater and grander state university for Nebraska.

Now that Turkey is in the thick of it, perhaps the Hon. A. Rustem Bey will get a chance to let off more steam.

Mr. Bryan says he is now the lawyer for the defense of the Wilson administration. What does it need defending?

As far as we have observed, William of Wied

A General Burden.

Speaking for numerous shippers, State Railway Commissioner Clifford Thorne of lows says the railroads offered but one new argumentthe effect of the war-in their plea to the Interstate Commerce commission for the right to advance freight rates. If so, and if the old arguments were previously rejected as failing to justify the increases, then it would seem as if the roads had lost their case. For the burdens of the war are entailed upon all business interests, so that the problem is a general one. The merchant, the manufacturer, the wage worker, might with equal justification, demand larger margins of profit because of the hardships entailed by the war, if subject to the commission's regulations. The merits of the case surely will not be allowed to rest entirely on that plea.

One significance of the railroads' position in this connection is the assumption of prolonged fighting abroad, yet this can be nothing more than guesswork. The railroads, naturally, would give themselves the benefit of the doubt. Unless they have stronger ground than this on which to urge the desired increases, the public will be disposed to doubt the validity of their claims.

Those Final Appeals.

There is a peculiar sameness about the final appeals always made by the campaign managers on the eve of election, as anyone may easily satisfy himself by running back over the newspaper files of previous years. The reversal of the relative situation is the most noticeable change, the democrats being now the ones to 'point with pride," and to ask for an endorsement in the nature of a vote of confidence, while the republicans, at present in the minority in the national halls of legislation, are doing the 'denouncing" and "condemning." The waning progressives, on the other hand, are anathematizing both the old parties with equal virulence and vehemence, trying to convince people that nothing good in government can come until their new party is enthroned

But now, more than at any time heretofore, the people have refused to become wildly excited over the campaign exhortations, their minds being distracted and diverted by the great war drama being enacted across the water. This does not mean, however, that our citizens have not been paying thoughtful attention to vital questions of their own internal affairs. The main difficulty confronting the voter, especially in Nebraska, is the interminable length of the ballot, and the confusing number of offices to be filled, making individual selection very difficult. It is the duty of every citizen, however, to exercise his suffrage intelligently according to his best information and honest judgment. Let party considerations govern only where political issues are involved.

A Tip to the South.

After all the demonstration made over the erisis in cotton in the south, it is most gratifying to learn through governmental reports of the enlarged activity of cotton ginning. From September 25, to October 18, of this year, far more cotton was ginned than during the same period a year ago, and in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Oklahoma the mills turned out the largest volume in their history. So that while the south and, indeed, the entire country, severely feels the effect of the war on the bumper cotton crop of this year, things are not as bad as they might be so long as the gins are more active than usual.

Approach of Upward Turn

THE BEE: OMAHA, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1914.

Coming Opportunities.

The organ of the textile industries of this country. Fiber and Fabric, sounds a jubilant note about the growing trade opportunities of the United States. 'However much we play deplore the conflict abroad," says Fiber and Fabric, "we are compelled to consider ommercial importance to us. Fifteen million men in the field will use up apparel necessities about threa times as fast as when peace prevails. The equipment of 1,000,000 horses is no small item, and, noreover, it means sleady equipment of supplies and food for this vast army. Europe cannot fight and meet these requirements simultaneously.

"The more one of our industries is taxed, the scenter the activity which will be reflected from others. It is the history of war, the civil war, the Crimean, the Franco-Prussian, and others, that the first shock produced dullness, but upon recovery industry boomed and prices soared. There is every reason to believe that history will repeat itself, and as the waste and demolition exceed any previous demonstrations, the sources of supply must be looked to to meet the inevitable demand

"We are at peace, the greatest industrial nation: we have the mills, the farms; in short, the equipment which is wanted. In spite of fear, we must be busy Busy for ourselves and busy for others. Some important materials we may lack, but we will be ingenious enough to evolve adequate substitutes. Without excessive enthusiasm or optimism, we have reason to expect the greatest industrial era we have yet experienced. This is the opinion of our most enlightened thinkers and economists."

Business for Middle West.

The leather industries of the United States are in a fair way to be swamped by European demands, 4ccording to information given H. H. Garver, Chicago agent of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, quoted by the Chicago Herald.

According to these statements more than 99 per cent of those interested in the preparation and manufacture of leather met a few days ago in Indianapolls to discuss the situation. Finding many tanneries and factories running day and night, it was decided to pool the foreign business in order to fill the rush orders and secure this opportunity for a similar trade when the war is ended.

Illinois, Missouri and Ohio factories, in particular, have received heavy orders for harness, bridles and saddles, and army wagons are still being asked for in large quantities.

The business pooled included 60,000 horse collars, 15,000 saddles, 30,000 sets of ordinary harness, 15,000 sets of ambulance and a like number of artillery harness.

A tremendous demand for American shoes is expected shortly, as it is estimated that soldiers in the field wear out a pair each month. England is still able to manufacture some shoes, but cannot supply the demand of the allied troops.

Pilling Up Orders.

The New York Sun says that the amount of foreign business-largely that of foreign governments-which has been placed in our markets within three weeks amounts to no less than \$200,000,000. A single financial institution says it has done a business of \$67,000,950 to \$70,000,000 in foreign trade accounts since the first of this month. Cotton bills are being offered in the foreign exchange market in substantial quantities on single orders of 2,000 or 3,000 bales. The Exench government has already bought foodstuffs and war material in this country to the extent of \$30,000,000. One of the small neutral countries has placed business aggregating \$7,000,000 in this country. A single order received on Monday from one of the belligerent nations was for 600,000 hushels of oats. One of the consignments to England was of \$144,000 worth of cartridges. An order for 100,000 pairs of shoes for the Greek army has just been, filled, and an order for 100,009 pairs for one of the nations at war is being filled and has already been paid for. An order for 1,000,000 pairs of army boots for France is now being placed.

Coal exports from England are declining, and from the United States are increasing. Business is coming from South America as well as from Europe, and we are likely in the immediate future to have the largest foreign trade we ever had, partly as the direct, and partly as the indirect, result of the war.

Improvements But the point we had most in mind here "Evidence of real improvement in the financial was Secretary Houston's advice to the south situation," says the Brooklyn Eagle, "are becoming more and more numerous as each day passes, and at the moment there are abundant indications of an early re-establishment of normal conditions. "Possibly the most important development of the last few days is the decline in sterling exchange to a figure something less than \$4.99 the pound, or to within a few cents of the gold parity of \$4.86%. Back in the early days of August, when vast quantities of American securities, formerly held abroad, were still being poured on New York, pounds sterling cost as much as \$6 and \$7 each. Since then, however, we have paid off a large part of our indebtedness on gold, and now we are sending out our grain and other commodities, and within a few days we will be exporting in quantity our cotton. A continuance of the downward movement in foreign exchange rates seems assured. "There is nothing in the whole financial fabric se nervous as the foreign exchange market, Reflecting, as it does, the entire commercial and financial position of nations, it is more susceptible to quick changes than even the stock market, and it is absolutely the most accurate indicator of where each country stands in the international money market. Thus, with the sterling rate moving in favor of us, there is reason to believe that the United States is rapidly approaching the enviable position to which the more optimistic have been assigning it. Certainly, the dangers which have been threatening our gold supply are rapidly disappearing and with our gold assured for credit purposes, there will be opportunities for trade expansion.



test against the dirty political campaign

being carried on in South Omaha in

bringing up the Blunt case against the

good name of John Briggs, just because

he did his duty as an officer of the law.

I venture the assortion that the widow

herself could not feel worse than the

chief did over this unfortunate affair.

But Douglas county can rest assured

that as sheriff he will bring criminals to

has in my experience of fifteen years ac-

quaintance made one of the best chiefs

in the United States, hence my voluntary

defense of the next sheriff of Douglas

county. I am glad to believe that Omaha

with all its rule or ruln power over the

Magic City cannot beat what will prove

to be the best sheriff Douglas county

"Women as Jurors."

OMAHA, Nov. 1 .- To the Editor of The

Bee: Mr. F. A. Brogan, a lawyer, has

"that the women of Nebraska would not

the Nebraska law now reads that women

are exempt." John L. Kennedy, also a

lawyer, says the anti-suffragists are try-

said that it is a "deliberate lie." this

statement that women may have to serve

as jurars if equal suffrage becomes a

law. Still another lawyer, Mr. Cornish

says "he helieves that woman should

serve as jurors." Possibly a statement

from a mere layman might not be out

of order. As the Nebraska law now

renda wemen do not serve as jurors, be-

cause we now have only a male elector-

ate, but not one of these brainy (?) law-

yers has explained to the unsuspecting

public that woman suffrage, if carried,

changes the constitution of the state, and,

therefore, will change all laws which

now exempt women from state and civic

duties. Women cannot be exempt from

jury duty under woman suffrage, except

By special legislation. Name a single

woman suffrage state where the women

are exempt from jury service. The suf-

fragists' slogan is "Equality before the

Law." Will some one of them please

explain how they are going to have

"equality" and special privileges at the

Speaking from Experience.

OMAHA, Oct. 31 .- To the Editor of The

Bes: The people of Omaha have been be-

sieged with tongue tales, letters of pro-

test and criticisms against the present

school board and their disposition of the

Prof. Rusmissi Commercial High school

episode, to, 1 judge, a point of confusion

if not disgust, but I hope I may have the

privilege and space to express a few

words of commendation and appreciation.

My three years of recent service on the

Board of Education gave me a thorough

acquaintance with the members of the

board and Prot. Rusmisel, and my obser-

tions, based upon duties and experiences

on practically all committees, impels me

to take issue with the malcontents, ac-

cusers and tale-bearers. I have been

thrown into frequent contact and asso-

clation with Prof. Rusmisel from his very

arrival in Omaha, have keenly observed

his organization and development of the

Commercial + High school and always

found him on proper duty and of gentle-

manly and thorough business deportment.

I know that in coming to Omaha he sac-

S. E. SMITH.

same time

required to serve as jurors, because

to deceive the voters, and furthe

made a public statement to the effect

has ever had.

J. G. BLESSING.

justice regardless of consequences.

He



out for a walk with you, and then tells you how democratic he by not miraid of teing seen with anybody."-Yale Record.

Mrs. A .- So your son is home from

has interposed no objection to anyone's taking Albania away from him.

A correspondent writes to a Chicago paper to ask if it can tell of a successful hair remover. How about old Father Time?

Belgium's king and queen are no quitters; they are both in the field, inspiring their men, who likewise have proved to be no duitters.

Sherman's march to the sea will hereafter seem like a merry little appetizer as compared with some of those devastating drives in the present war.

On the school beard ticket, on which all the entries are by petition without party labels, consider them on their individual merits, and support the best men.

Thus far we have noticed only a few revivals. of that old saw about General De Wet needing sum shoes to keep his feet dry, which did such. valiant service during the last Boor revolt.

What a difference it makes whose ox is gored! When republicans used to ask the people to uphold the hands of the president, remember how the democrats attempted to belittle and ridicule?

Whatever else its purpose, the nonpartisan judiciary law was not intended to pull down from the bench any judge honestly and conscientiously performing his duty to the satisfaotion of the public.

Make your vote count against the jail feeding grafters and the fee grabbers who have been trying to loot the county treasury; and also make it count for the officials who stopped the steal, and thus saved the taxpayers of this county from being robbed of many thousands of dollars.



Rev. Sherrill began his sixteenth year as pastor of the Omaha congregation, and in his honor the pulpit of the Congregational church was adorned by floral orations made by Mrs. Clark Woodman and Mrs. M. G. Cole, displaying the figures "1800" and "1884." In the evaning a young peoples' service was held, ad-dramed by George T. Houser, long identified with the Young Men's Christian association here, and now general secretary in Cincinnati, and by General O. O. Reward, who told of the International Young Men's

association convention which he had attended in Berlin. The committee in charge of the forthcoming ball of the Duraht Engine company consists of Bert Heney, Peter Dandell, Thomas McMillian and J. Van Plew. Rey. E. A. Fogelstrom of the Swedish Lutheran Sturch was given a surprise party and a gold watch by his congrigatio

County Clerk Leavitt and his clerks have been put-

ting in extra time getting ready for election. Mrs. J. N. Ellingwood, 1126 North Seventeenth envel, is offering her services as nurse.

The German theater players put on "Der Meineldave " which introduced a new comedian, Herr Julius analey, for his first appearance.

that it should enlarge its cattle culture. With larger meat supplies as the supreme need in the line of food products and with the south in the grip, as some of its own people have expressed it, of a cotton-raising oligarchy, now is the time for its farmers to go to raising larger herds. The last census shows as lamentable lack of cattle raising in the south as it does of the diversity of crops. The country sympathizes with the south in its present predicament, which the south rightly insists is more or less of, a national disaster. All the more reason, then, for it yielding to the advice of other sections in its agricultural pursuits.

Those Belgian Farmers.

Large numbers of Belgian farmers of the better type, who had the means to get away, are said to be arriving on American shores. They will seek employment on the farms in New York and other eastern states. They are but the forerunners, we may be sure, of yet larger streams of refugees from not only Belgium, but other war-cursed countries abroad. It may be that many of these sturdy fellows may find places in Canada, from which thousands of young men have gone to the aid of Mother England in the present conflict. Be that as it may, the United States continues to hold out a cordial welcome to that type of manhood that loves liberty better than life, and will find, as it always has found, plenty of room in its vast domain for the refugees of Belgium, Germany, France or any other of the great nations of Europe. And this hegira will not cease withthe war; indeed, it probably will only then have well begun.

Incidentally, what mingled emotions of joy and sorrow must fill the bosoms of these early comers, who have escaped the miseries of their people at home-joy at their own blessing, sorrow at their relatives' and countrymen's thraildom.

Never worry about the voters getting the numerous "Halls" mixed up. They know that the T. L. Hall, who, with his associates on the state railway commission, has been standing on the firing line for the people against encroachments of railroad and public service corporations, is running for re-election as a republican. and they will be careful to put a vote for him in the right place.

Lord Kitchener is quoted as saying the war will last three years. Judge Gary says if it lasts eighteen months it will cost 4,000,000 lives and \$35,000,000,000 in money. Now multiply by two and allow for incidental increases and figure out how long Europe will last if the war should last three years.

That Indiana farmer who has contrived a scheme for supplying his customers with hot roast chicken ought to run J. Whitcomb Riley. the late Lew Wallace and George Ade a close race for the state's greatest son.

People and Events

A New Yorker advertises for an office boy who "must be red headed and freckle faced." Once in a while opportunity calls bright, mottled energy to its place at the front.

. One of the ironical curiosities of war is the French order to soldiers to observe the law against shooting game out of season in the way zone. This is the closed season for game.

The near approach of November 3 is worthy of a sigh of regret. With political conversation banished there will not be an excuse for varying the query: "Who crossed the Yser last?"

Porfirio Diaz and King Albert are alike in one respect-both were exiled by force. They differ in one vital essential-Diaz ran away from a fight: Albert is putting up a fight to a finish.

The annual dinner of the Carabo society in Washington will come off in Nevember. In view of what, happened to ragtime vocalists last year the favorite musical number for the coming event will be: "We Cannot Sing the Old Songs Tonight.'

Mrs. Carman's legal strategist blundered unaccountably in failing to have the trial transferred to Chi-, cago. The lake city has a record of seventeen women tried and acquitted of homicide, constituting a standing invitation to women guntoters to come in and get

A statesman with a scrap book patterns his remarks in the Congressional Record of October 15 with a reprint of a "culogy of a dog," attributed to Senator Vest of Missouri. This is the first appearance of the sulogy noticed this year, and is probably a prelude to next year's golden anniversary of its appearance as a stock filler in the ready prints.

A democratic candidate for judge of the juvenile court of Marion county, Indiana, was found to have a long crooked record in the police card index in St. Louis. News of the discovery and the coming publication of photographic copies of the record in the Indianapolis News prompted the shady politician to make the quickest get-away ever noted in the Indiana capital. He didn't wait to say good-by to his political associates, but vanished from sight the friendly darkness of night

rificed emolument for a field of larger opportunity. He left a clean record be hind him and has, I believe, made a clean and maniy record among us.

In thorough respect for the other citizens of our city who seek election al our hands, I would say let us not retire or humillate our present school board members with a vote of unjustified censure or with a lack of justified appreciation, as is at present indicated, for to be civically unappreciative is to be civically un-American. Let the papers and the people "square themselves" with our retiring Board of Education members. J. L. JACOBSEN.

3515 Lafayette Avenue.

For the Short Ballot.

OMAHA, Oct. SL .- To the Editor of The Bee: I am an advocate of the "Short Ballot" and have been for a number of years. It has been my observation that but few of the voters can learn enough. about candidates for office to vote intelligently under conditions as they are at present. The direct primary has put the duty of selecting candidates upon the individual voter and if the voter does not acquaint himself with the merits of the many candidates there is no one but himself to blame if the wrong men are put into office. It is not right, however, to put an unreasonable burden upon the voter and I think that it is entirely unreasonable to expect the average voter to investigate the qualifications of a hundred or more candidates. The uverage voter does not have time and I can truthfully say that there is no way in which he could investigate thoroughly if he had the time. But if we reduce the number of elective offices and leave it to those elected to fill the other offices by appointment we will be able to investigate fully the merits of the candidates. There will be fewer in number for there will be fewer offices to fill by election. Instead of being confused by the great multitude of names on the ballot as is the case now, the voter will know that there will be but a few offices to vote on and will be more inclined to take an interest in looking into the qualifications of those appealing for his votes. RICHARD C. HUNTER.

ERE STARS WERE SET.

Margaret Wilson, in New York Times-And ere the stare were set. Before the stare were set. Before the blossoning of dawn, When dawn and davight met. My soul went out to search for thee With varrant dim desire. My soul went out to mark for song And love's great word of fire!

Through soft-blown forests' breaking

buds My soul, awaking, sped Above the curiy fronded ferns, Across their mossy bed: My soul went out to search for thes And I was very young-My lips were all untaught of song. For speech I had no tongue!

Through wildwood and through wilder-

Res pot the sun was seen. Here yot the sun was seen. To lands of fountains wonderful. 'In valleys glad and green. My soul went out to search for thes. Till sweet above the ground Dawn biossomed like an apple tree-I sought-and I had found! In land of fountains wonderful Each mutely clung to each: There was no need of melody? There was no need of speech!

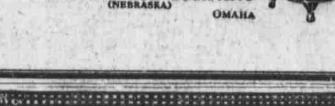
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