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DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 24th day of August, 1915. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

Thought for the Day. Shakespeare was partly wrong—The world's a stage, This is admitted by the bard's detractors; Had William seen some Hamlets of this age He'd not have called all men upon it actors. —John Kenrick Bangs.

Looks as if the court had interposed a negative on the camera trust.

From the list of fire protection "needs" of Omaha the underwriters clearly do not need a nerve tonic.

All in all, Omaha-made school teachers have very generally made good, and need take back seats for none.

Frequent postponements of the jitney game should impress upon city hall sports the need of providing rain checks.

No more cabinet changes—till the next one. But there will be more of them before the term of the present administration runs out.

Attorney General Reed is trying hard to take his revised version of the state constitution seriously. But he is the only one who is doing so.

Of course, the imminence of the "Billy" Sunday campaign has nothing whatever to do with the suddenly renewed activity of the Anti-Saloon leaguers.

Colonel Bryan shows characteristic caution in urging less speed as a measure of safety for national prohibition. Time is necessary to accustom the national stomach to grape juice.

Bethlehem Steel has advanced the wages of its employees 35 per cent in six months. A concern working on rush orders at fancy prices shows masterly discretion in bidding all the family to the feast.

The public library gets an additional \$2,000 to pay the running expenses of the South Omaha branch during the remainder of the year. Perhaps now it will feel rich enough to open the doors again over Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

Our local democratic contemporary wants to apply the democratic free trade idea to the employment of school teachers. The theory of the democratic tariff is to send abroad to get the cheapest goods regardless of the effect on the home market.

In a few more days only one merchant vessel flying the American flag will remain on the Pacific ocean. The surrender of oriental trade to foreign shipping emphasizes the historic genius of the democratic party in knocking American business.

German thoroughness needs no publicity agent, and it is not confined to war. The establishment of train service between Lille and Warsaw, conquered enemy cities, eleven days after the capture of the Polish capital, shows civic efficiency unimpaired.

Thirty Years Ago. This Day in Omaha.

The following officers have been elected by the J. G. Boyd lodge of the Brotherhood of Railroad Brakemen of Omaha: B. H. Ray, past master; H. E. Weisman, master; J. G. Byrne, secretary; James Murray, treasurer; L. Ekholm, conductor; William Campbell, chaplain; J. W. Sullivan, inner guard, and William McGavock, outer guard.

The Chalk club formally presented Miss Dempsey of "The Devil's Auction" with the picture of the Englishman she so successfully takes off in her great wool hit, "It's English, You Know."

Doctors Agree, Bryant and Gallbraith returned from the meeting of railroad surgeons at Lincoln.

Dan G. Ross, a cousin of the noted athlete, Duncan C. Ross of Chicago, arrived in Omaha. Dan is a sprinter and is trying to get up running matches for fall week.

One of the most brilliant events of the summer season was the party given last night by Miss Eugenia Koonize at the residence of her father, Herman Koonize, attended by about forty couples.

An effort is being made to induce Captain Connor of the Boat club to withdraw his resignation.

Oriando S. Bonowitz, one of the popular young men of the city, died at the home of his parents.

The Board of Trade has appointed the following delegates for the river and harbor convention at St. Paul: Champion S. Chase, George C. Ames, C. V. Gallagher, S. H. McCormick.

Germany's Request for Time.

While it has brought some little relief to a situation so tense and delicate that it turns almost on trifles, the German request for an opportunity to present its version of the Arabic sinking is not occasion for surprise. Under the circumstances Germany could not be expected to maintain silence, unless actually seeking rupture with the United States. This contingency is remote, and not now worth serious consideration. As we said in our original comment on the case of the Arabic, fairness requires that the German side of the story be heard, providing the request for time is not merely a dilatory move. The United States will not take action, whatever its course may be, until it has been finally and fully advised in the matter. The German government undoubtedly realizes the gravity of the situation as regards its continued friendly relations with this country, and for this reason is expected at Washington to make its showing without unnecessary delay.

In Jefferson's Footsteps.

Former Governor Alva Adams of Colorado touched off a fine bit of fireworks in the governors' conference at Boston, when he objected to any reform in state government, looking to extension of the governor's share in its administration, saying such would be a departure from Jeffersonian and a turning to Hamiltonian principles. Nothing seems to act on an old line democrat like the fear of any of Alexander Hamilton's ideas being incorporated in our political life, and next is his aversion to following any but the footsteps of Thomas Jefferson. A century of test has proven that Jefferson was wrong on some points, and particularly the undue restriction of the power of the executive. President Wilson, himself, has been one of the most notable of vandals when it comes to precedent. The government of the United States has lived only because old John Marshall burst through strict construction of the constitution, and gave its spirit such vitality as permitted needed expansion of the functions of government. The present situation is not what it was in Jefferson's time, and many things tolerable then are no longer expedient or desirable. No fundamental principle of democracy is endangered in an effort to make government more serviceable as well as more responsive to the people.

War and Wall Street.

How sensitive the Wall street stock market is in these unsettled days is shown by the fact that just a note from one of the warring countries to the government of the United States that commits it to nothing, can be made the excuse for a general upshot in prices. As a symptom, this indicates a more feverish condition than is really good for the health of business. Throughout the country the business situation is reasonably improving; good crops have followed the planting, and trade generally is responding to the forward impulse. Only in Wall street is uncertainty apparent, and as this is entirely of a speculative nature, it might be ignored, were it not for the positive influence of Wall street's financial temperature on the rest of the country. So far, the establishment of the regional reserve banks has not had the effect of freeing the country entirely from the domination of what has become the world's greatest financial center. Therefore, what interests Wall street must concern the rest of the country, if only indirectly, and so long as the stock market is supersensitive to war rumors, must more or less disturbance be felt by industry and commerce generally.

Fire Underwriters Going it a Bit Strong.

Agitation for increased fire alarm prevention and fire fighting equipment for Omaha has brought out a detailed statement from the engineering authority of the National Board of Underwriters, which if fully carried out, in addition to existing facilities, would render Omaha almost a paradise for fire insurance companies. It would be next to impossible for a building to take fire, and if that phenomenon did exist, it is inconceivable that any serious loss could occur. Next to stationing a fireman on duty at all times in each building within the city limits, the insurance people have asked for about everything else imaginable as the price of advancing Omaha to a classification entitled to a lower rating schedule. It is out of the question that Omaha meet these requirements within a number of years, because of the colossal expense involved and the large amount of work necessary to carry out the physical details of the program.

Omaha citizens have steadily sought to improve the condition of their city as to fire risk. Substantial improvements have been made in water supply, in personnel and equipment of the fire department and in other ways to add to the safety from fire risk. Vigilance of inspection has been increased and preventive measures extended and even now a considerable expenditure for improved apparatus for the firemen is contemplated, but to no apparent avail so far as relief from exorbitant rates are concerned. Does it not seem reasonable for us to look to the underwriters to show some signs of recognizing what has been done instead of insisting on hogging it all for the insurance companies?

Engaged imitates German industrial methods by taking over the Welsh coal mines and ending the friction between miners and owners. The latter resisted the wage demands of the workers, urging them to wait until "the war was over." The government then took control, satisfied the demands of the workers and will settle with the owners "after the war." The government thus safeguards itself and hands the mine owners the medicine prescribed for the workers.

"Coming events cast their shadows before." A foretaste of what is coming with nationwide suffrage is supplied by the politics of the National Educational association. The annual contest for the presidency, man against woman, develops political scheming and buttonholing rivaling the best efforts of national party conventions.

One of the few war reports from Turkey worthy of instant credence comes from Constantinople. It announces a grave situation in the Gallipoli peninsula. The grave business is too brisk to admit of funeral services.

Tolstoy's Prophetic Vision

Interview with his great-niece, Countess Natalia Tolstoy, in the autumn of 1910. This startling interview was first printed in The Bee in 1913 and again in August of last year, and now once more after a year of the great war.

"THIS is a revelation of events of a universal character which must shortly come to pass. Their spiritual outlines are now before my eyes. I see floating upon the surface of the sea of human fate the huge silhouette of a nude woman. She is with her beauty, her poise, her smile, her jewels—a super-Venus. Nations rush madly after her, each of them eager to attract her especially. But she, like an eternal courtesan, flirts with all. In her hair ornament of diamonds and rubies is engraved her name, 'Commercialism.' As alluring and bewitching as she seems, such destruction and agony follows in her wake. Her breath, reeking of sordid transactions, her voice of metallic character like gold and her look of greed are so much poison to the nations who fall victims to her charms. "And behold, she has three gigantic arms, with three torches of universal corruption in her hand. The first torch represents the flame of war that the beautiful courtesan carries from city to city and country to country. Patriotism answers with flashes of honest flame, but the end is the roar of guns and musketry. "The second torch bears the flames of bigotry and hypocrisy. It lights the lamps only in temples and on the altars of sacred institutions. It carries the seed of falsity and fanaticism. It kindles the minds that are still in cradles and follows them to their graves. "The third torch is that of the law, that dangerous foundation of the synthetic traditions, which first does its fatal work in the family, then sweeps through the larger worlds of literature, art and statesmanship.

"The great conflagration will start about 1922, set by the torch of the first arm in the countries of southeastern Europe. It will develop into a destructive calamity in 1913. In that year I see all Europe in flames and bleeding. I hear the lamentations of huge battlefields. But about the year 1915 a strange figure from the north—a new Napoleon—enters the stage of the bloody drama. He is a man of little military training, a writer or a journalist, but in his grip most of Europe will remain until 1923. The end of the great calamity will mark a new political era for the Old World. There will be left no empires and kingdoms, but the world will form a federation of the United States of Nations. There will remain only four great giants—the Anglo-Saxons, the Latins, the Slavs and the Mongolians.

"After the year 1925 I see a change in religious sentiments. The secular torch of the courtesan has brought about the fall of the church. The ethical idea has almost vanished. Humanity is without the moral feeling. But then, a great reformer arises. He will clear the world of the relics of monothelism and lay the cornerstone of pantheism. God, soul, spirit and immortality will be molten in a new furnace, and I see the peaceful beginning of an ethical era. The man determined to this mission is a Mongolian-Scyth. He is already walking the earth—a man of active affairs. He himself does not now realize the mission assigned to him by a superior power.

"And behold the flame of the third torch, which has already begun to destroy our family relations, our standards of art and morals. The relations between woman and man is accepted as a prosaic partnership of the sexes. Art has become realistic degeneracy. Political and religious disturbances have shaken the spiritual foundations of all nations. Only small spots here and there have remained untouched by those three destructive flames. The anti-national wars in Europe, the class war of America and the race wars of Asia have stranded progress for half a century. But then, in the middle of history, I see a hero of literature and art rising from the ranks of the Latins and purging the world of the tedious stuff of the obvious. It is the light of symbolism. In place of the polygamy and monogamy of today there will come poetry—a religion of the sexes based fundamentally upon poetic conceptions of life.

"And I see the nations growing wiser and realizing that the alluring woman of their destinies is, after all, nothing but an illusion. There will be a time when the world will have no use for armies, hypocritical religions and degenerate art. Life is evolution, and evolution is development from the simple to the more complicated forms of the mind and body. I see the coming about of the world-dream in its truest form, how it fades like the glow of evening upon the mountains. One motion of the hand of Commercialism and a new history begins."

Aimed at Omaha

Nebraska City Press: The Omaha Bee reporters call the Press' attention to the fact that the Julia did not pass down the river a few days ago as this newspaper intimated, and insinuated. The Press is glad to make the proper correction. We are glad to know the Julia is still floating and untorpedoed, and that Omaha newspapers have not been deprived of their one best bet in the way of news inspiration.

Hastings Tribune: Those Omaha printers who hired a colored band for their picnic added plenty of tone and color to the affair.

Kearney Hub: The Omaha Bee speaks of the futile efforts of the bullmoose to shake off George W. Perkins. Well, why should he be shaken off, when he really owns the critter and should be able to do what he pleases with it?

Beatrice Sun: It is no secret that Senator Hitchcock has taken a very pro-German attitude in the matter of shipment of ammunition to belligerent countries. It is very unlikely that there was anything in the nature of a conspiracy about his actions, but there are many who suspect that he was fishing for votes who he started the agitation for a policy favorable to Germany.

Hartington Herald: There will probably be something doing when Billy Sunday comes to Omaha. It may not be quite as sensational as if "Christ came to Chicago," but it will be interesting enough to make mighty good reading.

Stromsburg News: Only three weeks and Rev. William Sunday, D. D., will be on his job at Omaha and some people in Stromsburg who have not been church for so long that the preacher has forgotten what they look like will probably go down to hear him, thinking they are going to a monkey show. Well, there is a big surprise in store for them. They will listen to a man more tremendously earnest than any man they ever listened to in all their lives, and possibly they may discover two or three things about themselves that they will wonder if other people have known about them.

Blair Democrat: We notice in Sunday's paper where the Omaha ball team played a game of ball the other day at Houder park at which the gate showed the magnificent number of sixty-four paid admissions. Seems funny out in the country there is no kick on the attendance. It might be that these semi-pros are putting up a better article of base ball than the league. People usually go where they can get the most for their money.

Valley Enterprise: The building of the big tabernacle and other details for the great Billy Sunday meeting in Omaha is progressing nicely. While the evil influences of that wicked city are fortifying and cursing the consecrated, Christian people are praying and working for the success of that great effort. May September 1 be the beginning of a great reformation in the Nebraska metropolis.

Sample of Jersey Justice. Jersey justice responds to soothing treatment, coming from the right source. An ex-postmaster of the town of Haverth, convicted of a bestial crime last May, was allowed freedom on a \$2,000 bond and his sentence deferred on five successive occasions. When called for sentence on August 27, the prisoner did not respond and is supposed to have stretched his freedom bond to reach. In the interim Jersey justly jumped all over a man who sold a chunk of ice on Sunday and sent him to the battle for ninety days.

The Bee's Letter Box

Give Omaha Girls a Square Deal. OMAHA, AUG. 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: I want to commend your article on preference for our Omaha girls for teachers in our Omaha schools. If we do not give them a chance to become teachers, where will they get a chance—surely not in other cities that let their own graduates have the first call. I say, as you do, give the Omaha girls a square deal. EX-TEACHER.

Disappointed-Looking Autos.

OMAHA, AUG. 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: Public attention is constantly called to things that detract from the good appearance of the city and the impression it makes on strangers. I am not much of a kicker, but the untidy looks of a large part of the autos seen on our streets cannot help our reputation. I rode down in a jitney yesterday that was positively disreputable and it was no worse dilapidated than a lot of machines we passed driven by their owners. If a windshield breaks it has to be replaced, and why not right away? Why, so many top tops and unpainted bodies? Why not keep an auto looking half way respectable? C. G. L.

The Near Side Stopping.

OMAHA, AUG. 25.—To the Editor of The Bee: Of all the fool legislation ever enacted or ever introduced into a law-making body, the one now in force providing for the near side stopping of our street cars, takes not only the cake, but the entire bakery. The wildest eyed populists in their palest days from '82 to '86, either in the Kansas or Nebraska legislature, never dreamed of sadding on the public such a legislative monstrosity. It was uncalled for, unnecessary and serves no earthly purpose. From the title of the ordinance to the signature of the mayor there is not a redeeming feature in it; a legislative enactment providing for the return to the old horse car system, would have been far more popular.

It is more unpopular than the devil himself for it is said of him that were he to die, there would be some one found who would preach his funeral sermon, yet I doubt, judging from the unpopularity of this ordinance; that the originator of it would have that dying consolation. If a recall was had on this ordinance it would have more enthusiastic supporters, than a petition to the Lord for dry weather and sunshine. If this fool law has any admirers or advocates in this city I would advise them for the good of their health and the prospects of a long life, to keep it under their hat, and hold no laudation meetings using a light no greater in power than that of a candle dip. Mayor Jim will you please put a stick of dynamite under this mountain of discontent, and let the passengers give vent to their feelings in their usual tone. ED F. MOREARTY.

Tips on Home Topics

Pittsburgh Dispatch: A cafe in Matamoros, Mexico, says the wire news served the other day for 16 cents, American money, the following grub layout: Small porterhouse steak, one pork chop, potatoes, beans, coffee, bread, cake and one-half quart. If this is Mexican starvation, lead us to it.

Philadelphia Record: What sort of people can these Georgians be who sent a telegram to Governor Harris asking him to pardon the cowardly convict who, with two or three murders marked against him, attempted still another by attacking Leo M. Frank in prison? Apparently they are first cousins in spirit to those persons nearer home who seek to lionize the notorious paranoiac just given his freedom. Such incidents throw an unpleasant light upon certain phases of American life.

Around the Cities

Cleveland boasts of a \$700 advertising masterpiece, "The Fisherman's Return," painted on 5,000 square feet of brick wall.

Buffalo is having two new railroad stations built—the Lackawanna at the foot of Main street and the New York Central on Exchange and Michigan streets.

In five days of the past week traffic cops of Minneapolis pulled in sixty-six automobile drivers for various transgressions of the regulations. The good work still continues.

Agitation for applying blue laws to street cars, restaurants and ice cream parlors operating on Sunday in Des Moines has been crushed by a decision holding these enterprises to be works of necessity.

Lewis, Kan., maintains a municipal farm for the treatment of drug and liquor addicts. A two days' course of medical treatment is followed by three weeks of hard work in the fields. Two thousand persons have been thus treated.

Nebraska Editors

E. J. Quinley, who has been business manager of the Springfield Monitor, has resigned to accept a position as deputy United States marshal.

H. D. Leggett is the new business manager and local editor of the Ord Weekly Journal. Editor Davis has discovered that his duties as postmaster take nearly all his time.

Editor F. A. Scherzinger of the Nelson Gazette, who has returned from a visit to the San Francisco exposition via the Panama canal and New York, is printing an interesting series of articles descriptive of his trip.

The Dixon County Advocate is the name of a new paper to be launched by the business men of Ponca. Miss Anna Hunt is to be editor. She was formerly editor of the Kansas Enterprise, and worked for several years on papers at Aurora.

Caner UP!

Have you ever stopped to ponder "What great fools we mortals be?" Who search for sun and sorrow In a world so full of gloom? Have you ever stopped to wonder Why what pleases you the least Would to optimistic natures Prove a veritable feast? And have you ever pondered Why we grieve and pine and fret With the friends of our dear childhood True and loyal to us yet? Look around you and then wonder Who so many ills suffer Who no mental job would shirk.

Look around you and then ponder Why the Jood One up on high Should bless you with more wisdom Than the imbecile close by.

Swine around, my dear Complainer, Swing around and face the sun, And for every ounce of sadness You will find a pound of fun.

It is what you make it. If you nurse complaints, they grow; So—avoid contentment. You will reap just what you sow. JOE, STOMUND.

SUNNY GEMS.

Creditor—Can't you pay something on account of that bill you owe me? Debtor (groaning)—How much do you want? Creditor—Well, enough to fee a lawyer to bring suit for the balance.—Boston Transcript.

KABIBBLE KABARET. MINSK—HERE'S WISHING FOR YOU WHAT YOU ARE WISHING FOR ME! PINSK—ARE YOU STARTING TO COMMENCE AGAIN?

Strawber—Why do you think you will have any trouble keeping the engagement secret? Pinner—I had to tell the girl, didn't I?—Puck.

"Which do you prefer, my dear, a little claret or some champagne?" "I think I prefer champagne, George. And, besides, we really ought to do all we can for France."—Life.

"Why do you give the waiter so large a tip?" "Because a position of extraordinary trust and responsibility rightfully com-

mands unusual compensation. He is the custodian of a genuine, full-sized airton outfit."—Washington Star. "The hen is at once a model and a rebuke to human beings of overweening ambitions."—How so? "Although the rival of the American eagle himself as a great national institution, her highest ambition is to keep on scratching for a living."—Baltimore American. "Our town is considered the Venice of Sagbrush county." "Is it?—How so? "That may be true." "Then where does your resemblance to Venice come in?" "We have a large floating population."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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