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#### FEBRUARY CIRCULATION, 54,328 Daily—Sunday 50,639

Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee Publishing company, being duly sworn, says that the average circulation for the month of February, 1914, was 54,328 daily and 50,639 Sunday. DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before Subscribed in my presence and sworn to bef me, this 3d day of March, 185. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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Only a few days left to register, and no one, who is not properly registered, can vote in the coming primary.

Spring orders for railroad equipment far exceed last year's record. The stimulus of prosperity strikes the right spot,

Hard coal barons this year dispense withthe usual 50 cent reduction on April 1. Another stanard joke of the day goes to the discard. List the Omaha Auto club, also, among the

boosters for a new Union Depot. There is room on the rope for all the hands that will pull. The human factor must be reckoned with in

train operation. Safety appliances materially diminish the risk, but cannot eliminate human faults.

Among other good qualities of the traffic policeman, his method of demonstrating the theory of auto-suggestion should not be overlooked.

The secretary of state has taken names off the ballot after the filing time has expired, but our election commissioner has refused to do so. Which is which?

Mr. Bryan is taking back all the good things he ever said about the senator, and the senator is expunging all the compliments he ever offered to Bryan. This should make honors easy.

A river of doubt mocks the rarity of the Trinidad gauchero without ruffling its whiskers. The growing popularity of whiskers at Sagamore Hill is a development worth watch-

So far as the facts are visible at this distance, that horrible New York Central wreck looks like a case of culpable negligence. The railroads that boast the loudest are not always

The claim of Christopher Columbus as discoverer of America is disputed, but no one challenges the senator's exclusive discovery of the "Who-is-It" candidate for democratic gubernatorial nomination.

If every Nebraska republican, who really wants the name of Charles E. Hughes' to head the presidential ticket, will "write it in," there will be no question as to the preference instructions of our delegation to Chicago.

The people of southern Nebraska who are seeking adequate train service on the Rock Island will do well to mingle patience with their kicks. At the present time the bondholding owners of the road stand to make more money squeezing out the shareholders.

The business of the county treasurer's office under the present incumbent has aggregated many millions of dollars, but that would he no excuse for him had he tried to steal even a few dollars of the taxpayers' money. Would "Bob" be sticking by "Bill" if the latter were caught lining his pockets with public interest money, as "Bill" is sticking by "Bob" with his flat full of naturalization fee graft?

## Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha

According to the annual report of Fire Chief Butler, during the five years since the establishment of waterworks, although the population has doubled and the number of fire alarms has increased during that period, the losses by fire are less than those of the five years preceding 1881, by \$423,171.

The Eposition Promenade concert proved a musical and financial success. The large attendance was assurance from the people of Omaha that they appreciate the enterprise of the exposition company.

Commissioners Corties and O'Keefe have returned from Waterloo. They report that the dam at that place has been almost entirely carried away by the freshet. They state that the whole Platte valley is also flooded and that the water has probably done about \$2,000 damage.

Work on excavating for the foundation of the Board of Trade building, which was interrupted by the mowfall, will be resumed on Monday and pushed

Henry Voss, the architect, is drawing plans for fine large building to be erected on lower Farnam street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, jointly by William Krug and A. J. Poppieton.

B. Hoxie of Schuyler, a brother of the general manager of the Missouri Pacific, is at the Canfield,

The Omeha Turnverein is making active prepara flone for the annual meeting of the hitasour Vailey. Tueners, which is to be hold in St. Joc.

#### Railroads, Employes and the Public.

Without undertaking at this time to go into the merits of the railroad wage question, the justice or injustice of the men's demands, or the warrant of the managers in resisting those demands, it is altogether proper that a word be said on a phase that is getting but scanty consideration from either side just now. That is the public's concern in the question that may grow into a serious controversy. So far, each side has taken great pains to get its claims before the people in the very best light. Press bureaus are maintained, and much "literature" is being sent out, intended to impress the popular mind. Nothing has yet appeared that indicates consideration of the fact that in event of disturbance in the transportation industry, the public will be the sufferer; nor of the equally important fact that it is the public that pays the bill in the end. It is to be fervently hoped that the men and the companies may adjust their differences on a basis that will be satisfactory to both sides, but the contestants must remember always that the duty they owe to the people is far greater than their own private interests. No matter to which side the sympathy of the people may lean, nor how sentiment may be divided on the question at issue, the one point on which all will agree is that the wage question must be adjusted without disturbance of service that is so vital to our social life, The side that forces the strife to an open break must shoulder a great responsibility.

#### Double-Headers.

Recalling the acrimony engendered in the last two republican national conventions over the determination between a multiplicity of contesting delegates, it was hoped that the next convention might avoid a repetition of these complications. Not that republican conventions alone have been beset with contests, for the democrats have had their troubles, too, but the large number of palpably fake contests, made purposely to befog the issues, seemed to have reached their limit, with a reaction certain to follow.

Notwithstanding the fact that contesting delegates are no longer in good standing, the prospects are already good for double-headers from several southern states. Georgia and South Carolina already have dual organizations clamoring for recognition, and Kentucky has a second state convention called, while perennial Louisiana again promises two sets of delegates. Apparently nothing can stop double-headers and the contests will have to be threshed out. There is no good reason, however, why they should not be settled on the evidence without a renewal of the hue and cry over the alleged bias of the men who must decide.

#### Carranza Wins Again.

Venustiano Carranza has found one capital in which he has both power and influence. Unable to control affairs in his own country, of which he has been hailed as de facto head by the president of the United States, and without authority at Mexico City, he is yet able to have his own way at Washington, where his whims, however childish or absurd, receive respectful consideration and compliance. At present there is nothing friendly in his attitude, no evidence of willingness to assist in overhauling Villa. Impotent, so far as curbing the lawlessness of murderous bandits is concerned, he peevishly objects to the United States undertaking to protect its own people from the assaults of the miscreants from below the border.

Carranza is already greatly indebted to Mr. Wilson personally, because of the president's clandestine support to his pretensions before he was openly recognized, and simple gratitude for favors shown and help given should require that he give every assistance to a movement of which he will be the chief beneficiary. Instead, he takes the opposite course, and the administration at Washington is content to accept what Carranza is willing to grant. Our army is to be hampered in its operations in pursuit of the murderers who raided Columbus, because the de facto head of the Mexican government prescribes terms for the use of a branch railread across a desert country, and otherwise abandoned, that suit him but will be of little service to the United States.

The wondrous patience of the American people is being sorely tried just at present. The time is not very far away when Carranza and similar poliical adventurers will not find it so easy to win at Washington.

## Only One Chance.

Secretary of State Pool calls attention to some changes made in the primary election law by the late legislature. One of these is to prevent an aspirant from having more than one chance to get a nomination for the office he seeks. The law now provides that a person defeated at the primary can not again become a candidate by petition or otherwise for the same office. This is proper. It gives every man one chance, and permits the voters to decide. It does not deprive any man of his rights, but requires that he conform at least in the letter to the decision of the voters of his party. Morally he will be bound to give his loyal support to the candidate chosen, although he has the legal right to work against him. He can not, however, show his opposition by becoming a candidate for the office. This condition will not disturb any who honestly enter the primary contest, and will head off those who pursue office for selfish reasons only.

Two years ago the state of Pennsylvania levied a tax on coal produced at the mines. The coal barons attacked the law in the courts and defeated it. The tax, however, was assessed and collected, swelling as it moved down the line and touching the consumer for about 25 cents per ton. Now the coal barons are refunding the tax to the wholesalers, the wholesalers to the retailers, but just where the pinched consumers come in is not yet traced on the coal dealers' map.

The Missouri Pacific now assures us that it will remove the Dodge street crossing danger by elevating its tracks. That will solve the problem, but the way to do it is to elevate, rather than ejaculate. When the job is done we will be glad to throw a bouquet, provided no more dilatory pretexts are interposed.

## Hughes the Favorite

Philadelphia Ledger Wash'n Correspondence. S ENTIMENT ten wee... before the republican untional convention, with the large states yet to elect delegates, has so shaped itself as to force republicen senators, many of them state leaders, to admit that Justice Hughes can have absolute control of the action of the Chicago convention if he desires. The return of Roosevelt to the United States has crystalized sentiment in the opinion of republican senators, whose views were sought today. Not a dissenting voice was raised against Justice Hughes from men who heretefore have looked elsewhere for a presidential candidate. Leaders who have hoped to see ex-Senator Burton or Senator Cummins win out at Chicago, are now saying that Justice Hughes has the nomination in his grasp. In the opinion of these senators, and many were interviewed by the Public Ledger correspondent today and yesterday, Justice Hughes will be the republican nomines if he maintains his present attitude of indifference, and does not take himself unequivocally out of the race. In refusing to allow himself to be considered as an avowed candidate, which he could not do, because of his position on the supreme court. Justice Hughas has made himself so strong with the voters, these leaders say, that no set of politicians' desiring success in November can defeat him for the nomination, a conclusion apparently demanded by the rank and file of republican voters.

Even the supporters of two presidential candidates today expressed themselves as unable to see any hope of naming their friends, because of the decided drift to Justice Hughes since the return of Roosevelt.

Radical progressives hope to force Justice Hughes to make a declaration which will nullify the daily increasing sentiment for his nomination. They want him to say, as did General Sherman, that he would not be a candidate if nominated. This he will not do, and no further statement will come from him other than what he has already said.

No presidential pre-convention campaign has ever presented a situation quite like the present. State leaders may seek to overcome the Hughes drift by amusing themselves in respective states with differ ent favorite sons, such as Brumbaugh, Burton, Weeks, Sherman and Cummins. The outstanding fact is that the republicans have only two men who stand the slighest chance of snatching the presidency away from President Wilson. The nomination of Roosevelt would reopen so many antagonisms and offend so many of the rank and file that the republican party. though perhaps openly harmonized, would still enter the campaign with divided counsils. Justice Hughes, on the other hand possesses two great advantages. Nearly all the party leaders have already announced. either publicly or to their followers, their readiness to support him.

Sentiment for Justice Hughes is not local. It permeates the entire country and even in states where favorite sons are in the race it is quite as potent as in other sections. In the east he has always been regarded as a big figure and now the middle west and the Pacific coast states, hold the same opinion. Rarely in this country have the professional politicians and the popular mind united upon the same man for presidential candidate.

It must be said here, however, that the political leaders are not for Justice Hughes, because of any liking for him. If they could have their way they would take Root or Weeks or even Fairbanks. In other words they want a man in the presidential chair with whom they might sit down and discuss patro-

nage and policies. Justice Hughes will have a large number of delegates elected in the coming primaries favorable to him. None of these delegates, perhaps, will be instructed for the supreme court justice. They will go to the convention uninstructed, but representing a Hughes sentiment in their districts which they cannot oppose New York will send perhaps half of its delegates for Hughes, Pennsylvania will likely have as many.

The dates of primaries yet to be held and the num

State.	No. Delegates
Michigan Appli 9	
Wisconsin, April 4	
New York April 4	
Illinois, April 4	
Iowa, April 10	
Nebraska, April 18	
Oregon, April 18	
Massachusetts, April 25	***************
Maryland, May 1,	*************
California, May 9	
Montana, May 11	**************
Pennsylvania, May 16	
New Jersey May 23	
Towns May 23	
West Virginia, June 6	
South Dakota, June M	

Not all of the states where delegates are elected in state-wide primaries have preferential votes on presidential candidates; but even in those that have the declared preference this fact is not expected to be of great significance. There will be much initial balloting for favoraite sons while the big business is developing in the convention. After the favorite sons have exhausted their strength the convention is expected to unite on Justice Hughes.

# Twice Told Tales

## Escaped a Beating.

Story telling was in progress in the village pub, and the next in turn was a rallway plate-layer. Round him gathered an expectant audience.

"It was just such a night as this," he began, bright and clear, with a touch of frost. I was going down the line, when I saw before me, lying right across the rails, a great beam! For a moment my heart stood still. Then a distant rumble warned me that the midnight mail was approaching. With a great effort I flung myself between the obstruction and the line, and the great train passed unharmed."

There was a thoughtful slience after he had finlahed speaking. Then somebody said:

"If you couldn't lift the beam how did the train get over it?"

"Yes," another interposed, "and if you flung yourself between the obstruction and the express, why didn't you get killed."

"Both questions are easily answered," said the plate-layer, sidling towards the door. "The abstruction was a moonbeam, and I jumped forward so that my shadow took its place. Then'-

He got outside just in time.-London Tit-Bits,

## She Recommended Her.

The two women were discussing that never-failing theme-the incompetency of domestic servants. "Well, I am looking for a new cook," said one of the women, "and I am at my wits' end. They come

to you as experts, well recommended and all that, and they turn out to be lazy and incompetent. I declare I can't understand it." What became of the cook you had last week?" asked the other.

"My dear, she was positively the limit. She couldn't cook, she broke dishes, she wasted food, she wasn't neat, and she was impudent. I have reason to believe that she drank. Oh, I had to get rid of her, Honestly, she was so had in every way that I could hardly think

of a thing to say when I wrote a recommendation for

## Reason Enough.

her!"-Pitisburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Everything in the dear old village seemed the same to Jones after his absence of four years. The old church, the village pump, the ducks on the green, the old men smoking while their wives gossip-it was so restful after the rush and bustle of the city. Suddenly he missed something.

"Where's Hodge's windmill?" he saked in surprise. "I can only see one mill, and there used to be two." The native gazed thoughfully round, as if to verify the statement. Then he said slowly:

They pulled one down. There weren't enough wind for two of 'em'"-Argonaut.



PREMONT, Neb., March 30 .- To the Editor of The Bee: In The Bee several days ago it was stated that 2,000 ships had been destroyed since the beginning of the war. In this morning's Bee see that since that time ships to the extent of 70,000 tonnage had been destroyed. Day after day we see them disappear in one-two-three order. turn to Revelations vill., 9, and find that in this time of destruction that a third of the ships affoat should be de-Some one kindly tell us the umber affoat at the start of the war, then it will be comparatively easy to show how many yet are to disappear. These things were written for our

admonition, upon whom the end of Gentile times have come. Of these times of trouble it is said that had not these days been shortened no flesh could be saved. Also the same are said of this time that the hearts of men would fall them, or be troubled over looking after the things that are coming upon the earth.

No man of ordinary intelligence will undertake to say that we are not passng through unusual times; in fact, we are in that period of time, that time of trouble, such as the world has never seen and never again shall see. The reason for this statement is for the simple reason it is the overthrow of the nations. As at present organized all are evil, and must come to their finish. It is the overthrow of Satan and his power over the nations. Thirteen years more will usher in the new era. A nation shall be born in a day. At that time spears shall be turned into pruning hooks, not before. It is God's order of things. This birth of a nation must follow the travail of the nations. All. P. H. WINTERSTEEN.

#### Thanks to the Women.

OMAHA, March 30 .- To the Editor of The Bee: It is very gratifying to note the action of the Omaha Woman's club at their meeting last Monday with regard to the retail stores closing Saturday nights at 6 o'clock. They have pledged their hearty support to the early closing movement, and if every other woman's organization in Greater Omaha will cooperate and do their shopping early, and keep away from the down town stores after six o'clock, the merchants will be glad to close early. Won't you help? A RETAIL EMPLOYE.

Humbuggery of the Primary Law OXFORD, Neb., March 30 .- To the Edior of The Bee: Some time since I wrote of our primary law as a humbug, and as it is belted up to grind out a grist of candidates for 1916, let us notice how well it responds to the wants and needs of the people. Political parties are about to choose delegates to their national conventions, and to elect their national committee. Those organizations are deeply interested that those selected for those positions are men of honor, integrity and loyal to the party and its principles. Especially is this true of their national committeeman, whose personality and ability, coupled with the loyalty he holds to the party. will have much to do with success or defeat of his party in the state. How can such men, other than by mere chance, be placed in those positions under our primary law? The only requirement of a candidate is that he wants the job, can raise the filing fee, and a statement that he affiliates with the party. That he affiliated with the party for treasonable intent, hoping to defeat its candidates, and even to prevent it from being represented on the general ballot, that it might lose its organization before the law, is no bar to his having his name appear on the ballot as a competent, loyal, party member. No one will claim that a majority mem-

bership of any political or religeous organization keep themselves posted as to details of their party machinery. How then can it be expected that they will be ready to vote intelligently at the pri-What I have said of the above candidates applies to all candidates on the ballot. This is no reflection on the voter; it is well he is more profitably employed, but if the law expects to compel him to qualify, where shall be go for his guide board? He finds his newspaper where he has often gone for information in times past, has taken on a look of a live stock journal just before the sales. He scans the photographs, reads the selfmade pedigrees, and then turns to the editorial comments, only to find that all candidates are registered full bloods, and are boomed worth the money. Take the presidential situation in this state-the democratic party is for Wilson-not for love. Oh no, it is because he alone holds out a possibility of keeping them in the feed business. Conditions in the republican party are entirely different. They regret their quarrel that split their party and allowed the democrats to march through the break, and take possession of the national copitol. They desire to kiss and make up and would have accomplished that end long ago if it were not for the primary law. Everything points to the fact that Hughes would be an inspiring and get-together candidate for their party, but here again the voters find their wishes thwarted by the humbus primary, for it has decreed that the republican delegates shall go to Chicago pledged to Cummins or Estabrook no matter who the party choice is. It is true there will be a little rebellion and it will be worth while to witness the doughty editor of The Bee standing with both feet on about the middle of his primary ballot while he writes in and marks the name of Hughes. There will others out through the state, but they will be aware that the primary is against them, that one-third who write in the name will fail to mark it, one-twefth will so write it that the judges will credit to name will fail to mark it, one-twelfth will also mark one of the printed-in candidates just to be certain their ballot will not be thrown out. In a former letter I pledged myself

not to vote for any candidate who tried to ride two parties into office. I see Secretary Poo! has ruled in substance that is wicked and not in accordance to law to file double and it will not be tolerated, only in cases where the accruing benefit can be cashed in by the democratic party. It is well Mr. Pool should worry. His party owns the trademark on catching votes by deception and I hope he may be able to protect the democratic brand. Can anyone conceive a law that would lead to more political trickery or one that would be farther from making honesty and ability the first qualifications for office. I am not saying that good men do not go into under the primary, for they do in spite of, and not because of, its workings. After the primary with all its expense, all its fuss and feathers is over, then the people are compelled to go back and hold an old standpat conven-

tion to get a platform for the candidates to stand on, and they must accept it, though it may be in opposition to their personal creeds they gave out to get through the primary on. That this humbug is losing popularity is shown by the death-like stillness on the presiden tial primary, which we were told would be here in 1916; but we will wait pa-

tiently for it.

A. C. RANKIN.

Well, What Do You Think of That. BALTIMORE, Md., March 29.-To the Editor of The Bee; I was told that Billy" Sunday, who is now holding an eight-weeks campaign in Baltimore, Md., had a six-weeks campaign in Omaha and on account of the newspapers not giving him the space and publicity that Sunday thought he ought to have he heaped all kinds of abuse on the press of your city. For that reason the story goes, Sunday was driven out of the city after being there one week by the papers and police department on the grounds of him being a faker and imposter.

I would like to know if this is true and would like you to send me a copy of some of your papers at the time he was there. Any information you may see fit to give me regarding him will be highly appreciated by me.

Note: All the Omaha papers laid them-

selves out for "Billy" and the only complaints The Bee had while he was here were that we were giving him altogether too much space,

#### GRINS AND GROANS.

"How did you lose your last job?"
"I was fired for making a mistake."
"That seems unfair. We are all liable to make mistakes." "Yes, but I told the bess that he couldn't get along without me."-Detroit

advantages of de right kind of a peni-

Mrs. A.—How marriage changes a man, Mrs. B.—Doesn't it. Take my husband-he used to offer me a penny for my thoughts, and now he often offers me Ex-to shut up.—Boston Transcript.

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE, MY FIANCE SAIS HE WILL DIE FOR ME. DO YOU BELIEVE HIM? YES, BUT JUST THE SAME YOU WATCH WHO HE MAKES THE BENEFICIARY OF HIS

INSURANCE POLICIES!

Minnie, my dear, do you know when you stop talking I feel that your allence is my paradoxical maximum pleasure."
"What on earth do you mean?"
"Because at the same time, you are also my Minnie mum."—Chicago Post.

#### WAIL OF THE COPY READER.

Philadelphia Bulletin.

Medvinik, And all those weird localities where consonants are thick.

But that can't belp me any now; teday
I've got to settle
Disputes about Telacatalpan and Papa-

catapetl.

Dvinsk and Minsk and Turtychinsk are places I know well. The Russian map bears scare a name I haven't learned to spell. Chanak Kalessi, Artiki, Klikitch and Akbunar, And other Turkish towns to me devoid of

terrors are.
But that does not assist me now; today
. I've got to know
If Bacabuiriachic is south or west of
Chinbampo. "Don't let that gay young militiaman pay attention to those pretty girls."

"Why not?"

"Why not?"

"Why not?"

"It is dangerous to let a spark get too near so much powder."—Baltimore Amerlican.

The name without the consonants I found I didn't need.

Mabhalades and Kalabak, Prilip and Vel-

"What's de reason," inquired Loltering
Luke, "dat you can't go ahead an' git
yourself reformed?"
"It's jes' hard luck," replied Plodding
Pete. "I never could manage to git arrested in a way dat would give me de

Mahhalades and Kalabak, Prilip and Vervendos

Were just as soft as any names I ever
came across.
But that avails me nothing now; today
I've got to show
The same familiarity with all of Mexico.

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