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Welcome to the President.

The pleasant duty devolves upon Omaha today to extend the cordial welcome of Nebraska to the president of the United States, who comes here, together with the mistress of the White House, for the celebration of our semi-centennial of statehood.

As we have said before, all of our citizens recognize and appreciate the deference due to the high office occupied by our distinguished guest, as well as the exceptional personality which has won for him that honor, and we all greet him, not as candidate for office, nor as candidate for re-election, but for what he is himself and as the chief magistrate of the nation.

The fact that the president brings with him his estimable wife, about whom naturally centers a special interest, makes the visit all the more notable, and she rightly shares the welcome accorded him.

The participation of the president in the exercises commemorating the completion of fifty years of statehood for Nebraska by reviewing the past so carefully prepared to portray the successive stages of the state's progress and by delivering an address dealing with some of the phases of this progress, elevates the event to a level higher than that of mere state-wide importance and centers the attention of the whole country upon us.

We are sure we speak for all of Omaha and Nebraska when we bid the guests welcome and express the hope that their visit will be something they will remember with pleasure ever after.

Relief for the Syrians.

The report of the American commission for the relief of the Syrians and Armenians is stupefying in its recital of horrors. In days since the war was extended to Asia, word has come through of the fate of Christians fallen into Turkish hands, and a bit of the terrible atrocities have been cited, but this confirmed account exceeds all so far known. Conditions to be met there now present but a single problem, that of how to get relief through to the sufferers. Americans are eager to give of their plenty to any of the victims of war.

Wilson and Wall Street.

Our democratic friends are persistently ringing the changes on the statement that President Wilson has dehorned the Money Devil and now has Wall Street tame and tractable. Their assertions on this point are just as wide of the truth as other of their campaign claims. Never in the history of Wall street has so much purely speculative business been carried on. Gambling in "war brides" has been notorious for almost two years, while the standard stocks have felt the impetus of the inflation, and are daily registering new altitudes in prices, under the influence of the speculative movement set in motion by the flood of war orders.

Against the Doctrine of Hate.

The address of Viscount Bryce to the Congregationalists at Birmingham is really intended for consideration of thoughtful people wherever found. It is the profoundly considered utterance of a thinker whose words are entitled to much respect. Viscount Bryce looks forward to a day when international disputes and differences may be settled without resort to force, and calls to our notice again that the leaders of American thought and policy are devoted to the ideals of peace, and the particular effort that is being made to formulate some plan for the enforcement of peace in the future.

Reform in Marriage

All along the line of march taken by woman toward her destined goal of complete emancipation from man-made fetters lie fragments of the various rivets and bits of archaic scrap iron that once formed part of her manacles.

The latest to be thus discarded is the old-fashioned word "obey," which is about to be forever deleted from the marriage service of the Episcopal church. This measure has been recommended by the official revision committee, a body composed of seven bishops, seven presbyters, and seven laymen, in their report which will be submitted to the general convention of the church October 11 at St. Louis.

The obligation to obey is out of date. No wonder. It represents the countless psychological and physical crimes that have accumulated through all the ages since man first struck his future life partner on the head with his stone ax and carried her off to his cave, there to toil unprotestingly in his service for the remainder of her existence.

St. Paul has always been quoted as authority for the subjection of woman in the matter of the marriage service. But the apostle was doubtless uninspired in these matters, speaking only as a mortal filled with the prevailing thought of his age. It is my belief that Shakespeare interpreted the marriage bond far better in these words: "Companions whose souls do bear an equal yoke of love."

A Triumph for Labor

Labor has won a great victory in the failure of the sympathetic strike in New York. This assertion may have the appearance of a paradox, but we believe it to be a simple truth. It is a triumph of rationality over radicalism. It is equivalent to a declaration that labor itself puts a limit to the use of its organization against the public welfare and will not be a tool in the hands of leaders animated by self-interest or fired by mistaken zeal.

U. S. Senators to Be Elected

In the election next month thirty-two members of the United States senate are to be chosen to fill the places of convention democrats, and fifteen republicans, whose terms expire next March. The senate is now composed of fifty-six democrats and thirty-nine republicans. Counting the results in Maine, where two republican senators were elected last month, the composition of the upper house becomes fifty-five democrats and forty-one republicans.

TODAY

Thought Nigger for the Day. Beware of desperate steps! The darkest day. Live till tomorrow, will have passed away. —William Cowper.

One Year Ago Today in the War.

German government disavowed the act of the submarine commander who sank the Arabic. France and England landed troops at Saloniki ready to join Serbians. Bulgaria ignored the Russian ultimatum.

In Omaha Thirty Years Ago.

Major Chambers, inspector of animals of the army in this department, has left for St. Louis, where he is to purchase 900 mules and horses, to be used by the army in this division.

Troubles of the Traffic Man.

Council Bluffs, Oct. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: Omaha is awake in a great many ways, but one place where she is asleep is in the direction of traffic.

Just to Keep History Straight.

Omaha, Oct. 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: Noting that the Mandan Indian float in the historical parade, I am caused to question.

The Day We Celebrate.

Jacob L. Jacobson, manufacturing jeweler, was born October 5, 1853, in Sweden, coming to America in 1882.

15,000 Telegrams Keep Us Out of War.

Omaha, Oct. 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: All the bank being credited out by the democrats, and the allies, that President Wilson kept us out of war is not. While not actually engaged in the European conflict by men we are furnishing all the money, ammunition and some men.

The Bee's Letter Box

Bryan Demos Still Unanswered. Massena, Ia., Oct. 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: Now that the partisan and non-partisan democratic gathering is in our midst, there is still amongst us the old Bryan democrat who has never been answered.

Seducations of the Swine Show.

Omaha, Oct. 4.—To the Editor of The Bee: If the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities keep the people of Omaha from attending the swine show in South Omaha it will be regrettable indeed. We probably do not realize that this is the greatest swine show ever held in the world and that if it were held in any country in Europe before or after the war it would draw visitors from surrounding countries hundreds of miles away.

Lines to a Laugh.

"The amount of the collision says the engineer of the train in fault, lost his head." "How could that be when the same account says it was a head-on collision?" —Baltimore American.

Dear Mr. Warblow.

A FELLOW WHO HAS BEEN CALLING ON ME FOR TEN YEARS, IS JEALOUS OF ANOTHER WHO HAS BEEN CALLING ON ME LATELY—WHAT SHALL I DO?

How Long Has 'Lately' Been Coming to the House—Five Years?

"Sometimes I wish I had married a professional turnkey." "Why, mother, what makes you say that?" "I suppose I could trust him to lock up the house." —Louisville Courier Journal.

621 Residents of Nebraska registered at Hotel Astor during the past year.

Advertisement for Hotel Astor, Times Square, featuring 1000 rooms, 700 with bath, and a cuisine which has made the Astor New York's leading Banqueting place.

Advertisement for Swift's Specific Co., Atlanta, Ga., featuring 'Pure Blood means Perfect Health' and 'S.S.S. MARK Will Make Your Blood Pure'.

Welcome to our city.

The coronership goes the route of all fee grabbing jobs.

Said Bill to Ted: "How'dy." Said Ted to Bill: "Howdy."

Sixteen-to-one is in the discard. The new free Missouri river bridge ratio is only three to one.

The Stars and Stripes forever—the emblem of our indissoluble union of indestructible states!

Here's to you, Coronado! Wish you were here to look back and see what you started.

Just so the weather is what we want, we'll forgive the weather man for predicting wrong.

Paradoxical as it may seem, what makes the roads so rough for our democratic senator is his slippery record.

This historic parade gives music another chance to demonstrate its power to soothe the (once) savage breast.

If the Nebraska of today is the result of such a short space of time, what has not the future in store for this great commonwealth?

The faith and loyalty of the Nasby brigade is to be judged not by words, but deeds at the contribution box. Don't be a tightwad.

There is no politics in the celebration of Nebraska's statehood celebration. This historic event is as broad as Nebraska's vast expanse of prairie and as cosmopolitan as Nebraska's multi-variegated population.

A goodly share of Omaha's industries showed up in the parade while types of industry by the thousands joyfully looked on. Street limitations prevent a whole show.

Now and then genius trots along with opportunity. Just as the bathing beaches closed down for the season an inventor puts on the market a device for peeling peaches.

Still, if those who object to a reduction and prefer the higher electric light rate, doubtless the company can be induced to magnify the monthly bills accordingly.

The striking feature of comparative records of progress of Greater Omaha is the substantial percentage of growth in all directions. A steady uniform advance measures the strength and un-failing push of the resources of the corn belt.

Hooray! Art Mullen, the new democratic boss of Nebraska, has forked over \$25 to the senator's campaign relief fund. Just a "bagaselli" out of his fee for persuading the democratic banking board to turn down one bank charter and turn up another.

Autum's Golden Veil

Stretched from horizon to horizon, pinned to the morning star and held taut by the evening star, the veil of nature is spread across the face of day. The golden veil, the veil through which sifts the sun like so much gold dust that sprinkles down through the mesh and is caught by the verdure and appears as waving goldenrod upon the face of fields.

How soft, how wonderful soft is the autumn light upon the grasses that have become of all colors through the ripening of their seed pods and fronds. How soft, how wonderful, the October twilight. This is because the golden veil of autumn permits only the purified gleamings of the sun to reach the soil bereft of the harsh heat and the dancing waves of torridity that mark the fall of the undeflected sun-rays of summer.