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WHEN A FELLER SLIPS AWAY

From the rattlin' race for office a feller slips away Where a daisy by the roadside has a hearty holiday;

Singing sweet— Singing sweet Where the lights and shadows meet To the heart that loves to listen, And answers with each beat.

Trouble on the hilltop, trouble on the plain, But joy where dwell the cities—where roses drink the rain;

Slip away, Slip away Where the lights and shadows play, With a daisy by the roadside Have a hearty holiday.

London has a school for servants.

Madrid has 2,000 registered autos.

India has 272 cotton mills with 84, 636 looms.

There are 1,500 registered autos in Barcelona.

Chile in 1913 bought 600,000 tons of British coal.

Wealth of France is estimated at \$50,000,000,000.

Russia has 2,134,200 acres planted to sugar beets.

Cuba in 1913 exported \$22,121 bales of leaf tobacco.

The Wealth of Britain is estimated at \$55,000,000,000.

Costa Rica last year exported 14, 250 tons of coffee.

Barcelona last year imported 89,148 tons of raw cotton.

Argentina in 1913 exported 7,647, 677 pounds of butter.

Chile in 1913 produced minerals valued at \$136,021,902.

Coins are in circulation on an average of twenty-seven years.

Guam's 1913 imports were valued at \$169,249; exports, \$37,373.

Riga last year exported to the United States goods valued at \$15,849,000.

France yearly exports over 2,400 tons of candied fruits, worth over \$800,000.

Russia now has 17,356 manufacturing establishments, employing 2,151, 191 operatives.

French annual consumption of wheat and wheat flour is 53.0 pounds per inhabitant.

Alameda, Cal., municipal electric lighting plant takes in \$176,000 a year and spends \$112,000.

The heroism of her son has placed Mrs. John F. Dempsey of Newark on the road to recovery. Her life was despaired of and her son underwent three operations for blood transfusion and saved her life.

Dairen Leased Territory, China, has an area of 1,221 square miles and a population of 517,147.

Los Angeles municipal employment bureau in the last year has found jobs for 16,542 persons.

New York will conduct a special school for the instruction of street sweepers in their duties.

S. G. Lutz of Chicago has been appointed general traffic manager of the Chicago & Alton railway.

San Bernardino, Cal., refuses to pay its poundmaster \$26 in fees for killing nine stray cats. He will sue.

New York has turned an east side street over to children as a playground from 3 to 6 o'clock afternoons.

New York City plans celebration September 5-26 of its tercentenary with an exhibition of Grand Central palace.

Los Angeles will issue \$5,500,000 in bonds for supplying the city with electric light and power from the new aqueduct.

Prof. Robert F. Harper, instructor of Semitic languages and literature at the University of Chicago, died in London.

Returns from Missouri show that Senator William J. Stone has been renominated on the democratic ticket by an overwhelming majority.

Francois Elie Jules Lemaitre, the French dramatic critic, playwright, poet and novelist, died Thursday of last week at his home in Paris. He was born in 1853.

More than one-third of the 573 miles of state roads built and contracted for during the last seven years in the state of Ohio has been of brick or concrete construction.

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

Since the death of Mrs. Mary Stockwell of Evansville, Ind., it has been discovered that at least 100 young men owe their college education to her. That was a fine contribution to citizenship.

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.

For the first time in the history of Colorado a woman called a political state convention to order. Mrs. Gertrude A. Lee, chairman of the state central committee, welcomed the democratic delegates last week, and presided until the election of a temporary chairman.

Mrs. Oliver Hazard Perry Belmont faced a culinary crisis when her French chef marched out in a fit of temper, leaving uncooked the farewell dinner to the duchess of Marlborough. But Mrs. B. took charge of the kitchen herself, borrowed a chef from a Newport neighbor and the dinner was served on time.

Two counties in Pennsylvania, Fayette and Westmoreland, which constitute the Conneville coking district, had a combined production of bituminous coal in 1913 of over 65, 850,000 short tons, within 10 percent of the total production of West Virginia, the second coal-producing state in the union, and exceeding that of Illinois by about 4,000,000 tons.

The latest figures showing the tonnage of the merchant fleets of the principal maritime powers, prove that Great Britain still holds its commanding lead, with a tonnage nearly one-third greater than of all the other maritime powers combined. Thus Great Britain possesses 20,275,971 tons; Germany, 4,998,746 tons; United States, 3,489,736 tons, the greater part of which is domestic shipping; Norway, 2,475,523 tons; France, 2,246,504 tons; Japan, 1,700,062 tons, and Italy, 1,571,761 tons.

When Iowa State college students return to the campus in September they will find the question of "where to eat" pretty well answered, for one of the largest cafeterias in the state is being installed in the basement of Alumni hall. The improvement, costing from \$10,000 to \$12,000 is being made by the building trustees for the Y. M. C. A. The old cafe is being enlarged and the cafeteria is going into the large rooms formerly occupied by the swimming pool and bath rooms. A large addition at the rear will house the kitchens. Miss Ella Frame, formerly connected with the successful Des Moines Y. M. C. A. cafeteria, will manage the new plant.

COMING BACK

Persons who doubt that the next nation-wide political contest in this country will be between the republican and democrat parties should study the figures from state which have furnished compilations of returns from primary elections recently held, says the Springfield Republican.

These figures show beyond doubt that republican voters are uniting under the old banner and that they will

present a practically solid front in the coming campaign. That the reunion will be complete before the next presidential struggle is the only conclusion reasoning men can reach.

The following statement shows the returns from primaries held in Pennsylvania, Iowa, Oregon and Minnesota, compared with the party vote in these states in 1912.

Table with 4 columns: State, Party, 1912, 1914. Includes Pennsylvania, Iowa, Oregon, and Minnesota.

Since 1912 congressional elections have been held in Maine, West Virginia, Iowa and New Jersey. The returns from these elections all show heavy gains for the republican party and corresponding losses for the progressives and democrats.

On motion the following claims were allowed, Supervisor Scheffler voting aye, Supervisor Hosler voting aye, and Supervisor Young voting aye, to-wit:

Table listing claims for A. Donnelly, J. H. Jones, W. Wilmesmeier, Western Boiler Pipe Co., and Payroll for filling Ft. M. & Burl. road.

WHEN YOU MAKE A WILL

Lewis Edwin Thess warns every man and woman to make a will. He gives the following excellent reason in the Pictorial Review for July:

If you chance to be a business man of average prosperity, one who owns a little real estate, has some personal property and some money in the bank, I can almost hear you reply: "Everything will be all right. I have real estate and bonds and money. My wife will not suffer." And if you are the wife of such a man, I can almost hear you say: "Everything will be all right. My husband is comfortably situated. I should not suffer." But do you, O husband or wife, know of a fact that everything will be all right, and that there would be no suffering. Of course, Mr. Business Man, you expect your wife to come into your property, and of course she expects to inherit it. But have you made sure that she will inherit it? Have you prepared against those tragic days following your death so that your wife may be plentifully supplied with money? Have you seen to it, O wife, that your husband has made such preparation?

Let me tell you the story of a man just like you, who died unexpectedly. He owned real estate and personal property, had a bank account, and carried insurance. He thought his wife well provided for. So did she until she tried to get some of her husband's money. Then the bank teller and the insurance agent both said, "Sorry, Madam, but we cannot pay you any money until you have had an administrator appointed." Then the widow tried to collect a second insurance policy payable to her. It was in a shaky fraternal order, and it was six months before she got a cent. Meantime the worry over the situation almost prostrated her. To be sure an administrator would have had to be appointed even if her husband had made a will; but if the will had named an executor the legal formalities would have been attended to promptly. There would have been no embarrassment. As it was, the ignorant widow knew not what steps to take. She was simply dazed, as many another woman would have been; for to the untrained feminine mind, legal proceedings of any kind usually hold terrors.

All the while the tradesmen were pressing this poor woman; and though they could not sue her for at least a year, they harassed her sorely. She did not know that the law thus protected her.

For weeks she lived a life of financial distress, even falling into the clutches of a loan shark—all because her husband who thought everything would be all right after his death had not made sure that everything would be as he wanted it. He had not, like Abithophel of old, put his house in order.

Now in order to put your house in order, to make sure that things will go as you desire after death, there are numerous things that must be done. And inasmuch as the present is the only time of which you are certain, the time to do these things is now. If you have not already done them, do them now, while you have mental strength and power and the time to plan wisely and to make sure that your plans will be carried out after your death. Delay is dangerous. At the last moment you may forget or you may do it ineffectually—or you may not do it at all. So do it now. Make a will.

Troublesome Patronage

Lincoln Journal: One cause for the general demoralization of the democratic party in New York is admitted to be the unrest over the postmaster-ships. One prime cause for the boiling anger of Nebraska democrats toward each other at this time is the federal appointments and the state offices. The republicans, on the other hand, having no federal offices to quarrel over, are showing signs of unexpected unity. When the party men discover that nothing disintegrates their forces more than spoils they may be ready for a sweeping reform in filling public offices.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF SUPERVISORS

What the Lee County Board Did at the Last Session Which Was Held at the County Court House.

THE BILLS ALLOWED

Proceedings of Body Are Herewith Given as They Appear on the Records for Benefit of Citizens.

Wednesday, July 15, 1914. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

On motion the following claims were allowed, Supervisor Scheffler voting aye, Supervisor Hosler voting aye, and Supervisor Young voting aye, to-wit: A. Donnelly, rattlesnake bounty \$ 2.00 J. H. Jones, same50 W. Wilmesmeier, widow's pension32.00 Western Boiler Pipe Co., culvert pipe4316.20 Payroll for filling Ft. M. & Burl. road209.19

On motion the following resolution was adopted, Supervisor Scheffler voting aye, Supervisor Hosler voting aye, and Supervisor Young voting aye, to-wit: Whereas, it is deemed necessary and expedient that a bridge be immediately built and constructed across French creek crossing Arch street in the city of Fort Madison, Lee county, Iowa, now therefore be it

Resolved, that Lee county, Iowa, by its board of supervisors, build and construct a bridge on Arch street crossing French creek as per specifications furnished by the state highway commission.

The following quarterly reports of county officers were approved and ordered filed, to-wit:

Table for A. P. Meyer, County Auditor. Fees received and paid to county treasurer: For deeds transferred \$ 22.50 For redemption certificates . . . 1.75

Table for F. C. Chambers, Deputy County Recorder. Fees received and paid to county treasurer: For recording 130 deeds . . . 68.10 For recording 37 mortgages . . . 28.60 For recording 20 chattel mortgages . . . 16.20 For recording 15 releases . . . 7.80 For recording 2 leases . . . 1.60 For recording 1 bill of sale50 For recording 2 incorporation . . . 1.60 For recording 4 affidavits . . . 2.00 For recording 27 Miscel. Insts. . . 18.90

Table for C. M. Hart, Clerk District Court. Fees received and paid to county treasurer: For district court fees . . . \$ 236.40 For probate fees 72.00 For marriage licenses 93.00 For mechanic's liens 3.00 For court fines 50.00

Table for W. C. Young, Deputy Clerk District Court. Fees received and paid to county treasurer: For district court fees . . . \$ 65.65 For probate fees 60.25 For marriage licenses 14.00 For Trans. Cts., etc. 23.58

Table for County Auditor. A. P. Meyer, salary . . . \$2333.28 Extra help 600.00 Deputy 225.00 Postage 76.25 Expense drawing juries, Keokuk 14.05 Expense acct. school fund . . . 2.00

Table for County Treasurer. H. J. Kennedy, salary . . . \$3025.00 Extra help 100.00 Premium on official bond . . . 332.50 Postage 49.65

Table for County Recorder. Edwin G. Vaughan, salary . . \$1466.63 Extra help 260.00 Expense attending state convention 25.00 Postage 12.30 Expense drawing jury, Fort Madison 6.00

Table for Deputy County Recorder. F. C. Chambers, salary . . . \$ 673.32 Extra help 60.00 Postage 18.70 Expense drawing jury, Keokuk 5.00

Table for Clerk District Court. C. B. Lake, salary \$ 230.00 Postage 36.00 Extra compensation probate . . . 50.00

Table for County Superintendent of Schools. A. W. Rakow, salary \$ 6.85

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Burial poor 24.00 Mds. del. to poor 167.16 Transportation 60 Sher. boarding tramps and poor 17.75

The following report of Fred Korshagen, superintendent of poor in Keokuk, for months of April and May, 1914, was approved and ordered filed, to-wit:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Merchandise 405.30 Fuel 83.80 Hauling fuel 15.00 Transportation 9.21 Shoes 18.85 Clothing 3.00 Salary superintendent 60.00 Fuel quarantine cases 9.96

The following report of R. H. Hart, superintendent of the Lee county home and insane hospital for the months of April and May, 1914, was approved and ordered filed, to-wit:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Total 71 Total amount expended for the two months \$1122.77 Receipts as follows: From sale of two old horses \$175.00 From patient 20.00 From sale of one hog 14.00 = 209.00

Net \$ 913.77 Making a total cost of .2109c per day for each inmate.

Respectfully submitted, R. H. HART, Supt. The following annual report of A. P. Meyer, county auditor, was approved and ordered filed, to-wit:

Auditor's Annual Financial Report. To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Lee County, Iowa: Gentlemen: I herewith submit my annual financial report showing warrants drawn on the different funds of Lee county, Iowa, for the year 1913. The county treasurer's report shows the receipts and disbursements of the different funds by him, and this report shows the various items of the disbursements.

Table for County Auditor. A. P. Meyer, salary . . . \$ 184.00 Committee work 900.00 Mileage 281.50

Table for County Auditor. D. A. Young, salary . . . \$ 172.00 Committee work 828.00 Mileage 226.00

Table for County Auditor. I. Hosler, salary \$1226.00 Committee work 188.00 Mileage 788.00

Table for County Auditor. Livery hire, board of supervisors \$ 245.50 Livery, Co. engineer and board of supervisors 112.50

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Table for County Auditor. Special Deputy Auditor, Keokuk. G. N. Vermillion, salary . . . \$ 180.00 Postage 6.50

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Table for County Auditor. Deputy County Treasurer. Wm. Reimbold, extra help . . \$ 50.00 Premium on official bond . . . 190.00 Postage 24.00

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