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Thought for the Day. The month of carol: of all the year, When nature lets the wild earth go its way And spend whole seasons on a single day. —Helen Hunt Jackson.

Off-year elections clearly mark the direction of the current.

Hats off to McCall, the next governor of Massachusetts.

Just the same, the women have had a lot of fun playing at the game of politics.

The disappearance of the moose looms large as the political tragedy of an off year.

Now see what the adoption of the biennial elections for Nebraska has done for us!

After all these big floods of not so long ago, Ohio could not be expected to dry up tight so quickly.

Republican gains in the off-year elections will make competition for next year's nominations all the keener.

It is evident from the returns that the country is disposed to uphold the one-term plank of the Baltimore platform.

The Moloch of war is not satisfied with its toll of life. It levies tribute on ailing humanity through padded drug prices.

Iowa university's cadet battalion is to be drilled in trench-digging. That instruction should have a double value—it will be useful for those who go back to the farm, even though they are never called out on the firing line.

Our amiable democratic contemporary says that the republican campaign is coming along in a fashion "perfectly satisfactory to democrats." Well, our democratic friends are easily pleased now, but they will not be so satisfied later.

At last our democratic United States senator from Nebraska has publicly announced that he will be a candidate for re-election. Somehow and somewhere and some time we seem to have gotten a suspicion that the expected would happen.

Yes, but would the majority against prohibition in Ohio have been bigger or smaller if Col. Bryan had kept out? We invite a debate on this subject between Johnny Maher's typewriter artillery and Edgar Howard's linotype battery.

As a safety first precaution careful censorship of church news is a vital need. It is disconcerting, if not embarrassing, to have a forcible appeal for ministerial recruits encounter the Baptist official wage average of \$1.87 a day without the formalities of an introduction.

Having settled the rental schedule for the use of the Auditorium, the city commissioners should go one step farther and provide against any one engaging the Auditorium and waiving the date to some one else for a bonus. That sort of hold-up should be nipped in the bud before it begins.

Among the other recent acquisitions to the law firm of Bevins & Churchill, Mr. Churchill is late of Cass county, Iowa, who has recently come here and formed a partnership with Mr. Bevins.

Sheriff-elect Coburn held a reception yesterday, standing on the Wabash corner, responding to uproarious greetings of exultant friends.

A fine display of fancy goods and art sewing will be made at the grand opening tomorrow of the Lohr Ban, 218 North Sixteenth street.

A delegation consisting of H. E. Clarke, W. J. Breach and Ben Gallagher left for Chicago, to join similar delegations from St. Joseph, Kansas City, Denver, and other western cities to protect their interests on freight rates.

A demand is being made that the street car company place conductors on the cars, and relieve the driver from asking change and taking tickets, to say nothing of protecting him against holdups.

The Union Pacific is advertising an excursion trip to Los Angeles, including Pullman accommodations for \$109 for the round trip.

A thoroughly competent girl is wanted for general house work, \$4 per week, Mrs. T. W. Blackburn, third house north of Leavenworth, north of Colfax street.

Significance of the Off-Year Elections.

The salient feature of the off-year elections just held lies in the evidence they afford that the people are voting upon their sober second thought, rather than upon impulsive enthusiasm of the moment. The tendency of the political pendulum to swing back from the radicalism reached in the preceding rise of the so-called bull moose party, is confirmed and accentuated.

From the party standpoint the general results are decidedly encouraging to republican hopes. The redemption of Massachusetts by McCall, the republican candidate for governor, in the face of the urgent appeals of the democrats for a vote of confidence in President Wilson, shows New England coming back to the fold.

Omaha's New Civic Census. The people of Omaha are to be congratulated on the character of the men who have been chosen by the mayor and council to constitute the new city planning commission, because every one of them are men of standing in the community and thoroughly identified with the present and future growth of the city.

Talking of Peace Terms. Every few days the news reports contain paragraphs indicating that one or the other of the belligerents in Europe is willing to consider peace terms, and some of these reports even go so far as to outline the probable conditions to be entertained.

Investigating Oil. The Federal Trade commission, it is announced, is to undertake an investigation of mineral oil production, refining and distribution.

Headaches an Expensive Luxury. If you must do things that produce headaches put the kettle on the stove and get out the hot towel bandage, for the drugs you have formerly relied on to assuage the pain may become too expensive for any but the rich and prodigal.

People and Events. "He has his gas." A banker at Watsonville, Cal., has fallen heir to a fortune of \$100,000 left by a Canadian uncle, who was a recluse and lived on 80 cents a day.

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Means to an End. "There, lad, 'tis a bonnie lass you're married, and I wish you both joy," said the old minister, as he gazed at the beaming faces of the young couple he had just united.

Worse Yet. "We had a bad accident the last time we went out motoring."

Philadelphia Ledger: The perpetuation of the names of some of our famous old warriors in the new battle cruisers would be an excellent idea. Other navies adopted it long ago.

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"Billy's" Big Windup

Beatrice Sun: Though people may disagree with "Billy" Sunday and criticize his methods, it will be generally admitted that he has done a lot of good for Omaha. The pay he received, about \$30,000, looks like a lot of money for a preacher, but Omaha has no doubt often paid that much and got less for the expenditure.

Plattsmouth Journal: "Billy" Sunday departed Sunday night with his wad. The people of Omaha have evidently shown themselves "easy marks." There would have been more Christianity displayed by giving that money to charity.

Pender Republic: "Billy" Sunday forgot to take up one subject of importance during his stay in Omaha and that was: Whether or not the fellows who "jump" their newspaper bill will have their sins forgiven on the way to heaven.

York News: "Billy" Sunday thought a full hand with a two draw was a sufficient number of weeks to pump the hot truths into those malleted heads, spindle legged, beer gutting, peanut brained blokes in Omaha.

Crawford Courier: The devil in chuckling over the departure of "Billy" Sunday from Omaha, may find himself in the position of the Irishman who tickled the hind foot of a mule with a straw.

Wayne Herald: "Billy" Sunday received somewhat in excess of \$30,000 for his services in Omaha, and the people who gave the money appear to be well satisfied with returns. The evangelist had a whirlwind finish Sunday, and developed increased interest, leaving amidst the loud acclaim of the multitudes.

Nebraska City Press: "Billy" Sunday, self-appointed apostolic delegate of the Almighty on earth, has excommunicated the eight members of the Omaha school board who showed good sense enough to refuse the Honorable "Billy" permission to spout his indecencies and ungrammatical slang before the impressionable boys and girls of the Omaha High school.

Brooklyn Eagle: Senator Chamberlain's notion of universal military drill in the public schools has much to commend it. But it will be many, many years before any national statute can bring it to pass.

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Same in Missouri and Nebraska.

OMAHA, Nov. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: I see a communication in the Kansas City Star with reference to the Junior League from Missouri which I want to paraphrase for Nebraska's democratic senator to whom it fits as well.

The senator is seeking wildly for an issue to distract the people's attention while he tries to ride into office again upon the popularity of "resident Wilson, who gained his popularity by doing things the people wanted done, in spite of the opposition of the senator from Nebraska.

It comes with rather poor grace for this senator, after fighting President Wilson and his policies on every occasion, to go over Nebraska praising our great president and trying to foment race hatred and strife among our people by referring to the awful condition existing in war-ridden Europe.

"He finds the state administration does not suit him, so he tries to tear down the democracy of Nebraska, apparently willing to sacrifice everything to be elected himself, so he may go back to Washington and again oppose the policies of President Wilson."

Ask Us Something Easy. OMAHA, Nov. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: What became of all the extra street cars put on by the company to take care of the tabernacle crowds? Why can't some of them be used in place of the open cars the company is still running with special invitation pneumonia and colds for the passengers?

Competitive Free-Will Offerings. LINCOLN, Nov. 3.—To the Editor of The Bee: A Lincoln paper expresses a thought that came to me when I was attending the Sunday meetings in Omaha better than I can express it. It says this:

"It is true that the Sunday 'free-will offering was stimulated by appeals to Omaha to make its donation as big as others of the size have made theirs, it was not free giving, but an unreluctant pride that functioned there. Homer was happy to have a hundred cities compete for the honor of being his birthplace.

But to have a lot of cities engage in rivalry to see which can give one the most money is some luck also. That, however, is not much of a test of spiritual enthusiasm."

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Nebraska Editors

The Bridgeport News-Blade moved into its new home the first of the week. Editor V. B. Cargill of the Kimball Observer used his new linotype machine in getting out his paper last week.

The Stromberg News, E. A. McCleery, proprietor, moved into its new quarters in the old City hotel building this week.

George T. Edson, former proprietor of the Burcham Times, has started a new paper at Filley, Gage county, called The Filley Spotlight.

Editor Whitcomb of the Friend Telegraph was 72 years old last Sunday. He is rounding out his thirty-eighth year as editor and proprietor of the Telegraph.

The Hebron Champion, Henry Allen Brainerd, editor and proprietor, devoted three pages of his last week's issue to an illustrated report of the meeting of the Odd Fellows grand lodge at Omaha.

Grins and Groans. "I managed while abroad to secure just the actress I wanted, but on the way across she threw up her part.

Mrs. Flatbush—So she told you that piece of gossip, did she? Mrs. Bensonhurst—She certainly did.

"I suppose you'll be in the gay social whirl this winter?" "Who?" replied Mr. Cumrox. "Not a chance. The further my wife sets into society the more she realizes that I don't belong."

Defendant (in a loud voice)—Justice! Justice! I demand justice! Judge—Silence! The defendant will please remember that he is in a court room.—Penn State Froth.

"I have been told," stated J. Fuller Bloom, "that it is impossible to please everybody. I don't know of my own knowledge, for I have never tried."

"What's Prof. Diggs doing these days?" "He's trying to decipher a Babylonian tablet."

"Any results so far?" "Mrs. Diggs has nervous prostration and the children have been sent to the home of a relative."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

"I see that you are warning against speculating." "I am," replied Mr. Dustin Stax. "But don't you profit by the speculation of others?"

"Of course. My warnings won't stop 'em. They'll merely think I'm envious of their superior smartness and want to keep them from making money."—Washington Star.

"Old top, I have been assigned to ask you to join our Society for the Consideration of Comic Forces."

"Gee, that sounds terrific to a low-brow like me. What is the object of your society?" "I dunno. I suppose to give a banquet every now and then."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"My soldiers are fighting men," said the captain, striking a moving picture pose. "They'll never be content to dig trenches."

"That's all right," responded the general. "I have no objection to them taking some trenchments away from the enemy to pass the winter in."—Boston Transcript.

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AUTUMN ROMANCE.

St. Louis Republic. Were you a leaf gold tinted, And a wandering breeze, We'd stroll so cozily through woods by autumn tinted, To far, old, welcoming seas.

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