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After all, Dublin's score in the fighting game is not far ahead of McKee's Rocks.

All doubts as to the presence of spring vanishes with the coming of the circus season.

Spring plowing proceeds apace on lands of peace and on battle fronts. One plows to live, the other to die.

No doubt Scotland takes notice that the kaiser still considers the scenery of the country well worth an occasional airy visit.

Would a new Union depot be an asset for Omaha? It certainly would—just as the new Union depot at Kansas City is an asset for that thriving "burg."

The "short and ugly word" does not appear in the dispute between Secretary Daniels and Admiral Flske, but the inference and the punch are there.

The disappearance of Harper's Weekly peculiarly befits these troublous times. "A Journal of civilization" is out of place in an era reddened with the blood of civilization.

So long as the Methodist divisions, seventy years apart, cherish hopes of getting together, the prospect of a reunion of Nebraska's democratic factions is not as hopeless as it looks at the present time.

It is very evident that there are two sides to this Recreation board controversy, turning on which of two poles is long enough to pull the fifteen salaried playground supervisorship jobs with their easy money.

The effort of Senator Norris to bring the machinery of the proposed rural credits board within civil service rules met with prompt rebuff. Democratic professions of fealty to civil service are for platform purposes only.

Fate's unerring finger points to Chicago's Solomon as the right man to settle the war controversy. Having disposed of the Shakespeare dispute with rare celerity, solving the problems of war should be a trifling pastime.

Omaha's boulevard system looks longingly toward the Missouri heights where visions of beauty abide. Until the crests north and south are annexed for pleasure highways, the system must be considered unequal to its opportunities.

But when the school board abolished the teacher's training course, at the eleventh hour after the applicants had earned their admission by competitive examination, hardly a "peep" was raised except for The Bee's vigorous protest.

Nebraska democratic organs cannot repress their fear that Justice Charles E. Hughes may be the republican standard-bearer. It is this fear that inspires their valiant efforts to head off the one nomination which they know spells certain democratic defeat.

Colonel Roosevelt wants it distinctly understood that he is neither for or against any man for the presidential nomination to be made at Chicago. It is safe to assume, however, that he would be for certain men a great deal stronger than for some others among those mentioned.

Thirty Years Ago This Day in Omaha

Compiled from Bee Files
G. B. Sheppard, who has been corresponding clerk in the general superintendent's office of the Union Pacific for a number of years, has resigned to accept a position in the First National bank and has been succeeded by A. P. O'Connor.

Building of Boulevards.
Another boulevard is being agitated, with much of good reason to support the project. It is suggested that the route follow the line of the bluffs along the river. A road meandering the contour of the hills near the crest would provide a magnificent panorama of continually shifting but always pleasing views, and would give the greatest of delight to all fortunate enough to follow it.

Blunders We Keep Repeating.
A Harvard professor, speaking to an Omaha audience, dwelt on the fact that humanity has not yet reached its fullest development, that all our systems of social and industrial arrangement are experimental, subject to modification or abolition.

Man is still a selfish animal, and nations as well as individuals become self-centered, and disinclined to look upon the world through any but their own eyes. A time may come when justice will universally prevail, and all will submit to rule that means more for the general good than for private interest.

This should not discourage those brave spirits who are earnestly striving to establish a better way. Their efforts are not wholly in vain, because they are keeping bright the light of reason in a world that is darkened by ignorance.

Debate That Should Be Ended.
The wrangle between Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Rear Admiral Flske has reached a point where dignity is fast disappearing, and official statements from these gentlemen are taking on the nature of personalities. Flske has directly challenged the veracity of Daniels in a letter addressed to the senate.

President and Congress.
An ardent admirer of President Wilson, reviewing in the Atlantic Monthly the record of his administration, lays special stress upon what he has done to entrench the presidential initiative in law-making and the presidential domination of the work of congress.

Renewal of River Traffic.
The arrival at the port of Omaha of the Julius F. Silber, nine days out from Kansas City, with a mixed cargo, may reasonably be looked upon as a practical beginning for a new era on the river.

Finances of Omaha's Public Service Corporations

Financial World Annual Review.
Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway.
Incorporated in Nebraska. Owns lines formerly operated by Omaha Street Railway company; leases the Omaha and Council Bluffs Railway and Bridge company in Council Bluffs, Ia., until 1947.

Table with 5 columns: Year, Dec. 31, 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912. Rows include Gross earnings, Total, Int. on bonds, Oth. int. & rentals, Div. paid, Surplus, Earnings available for interest on bonds.

Omaha & Council Bluffs Railway and Bridge.
Incorporated in 1902 in Iowa. Is leased to the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street railway. Owns entire capital stock of Omaha, Council Bluffs and Suburban railway and the Lake Manawa and Manhattan Beach railway.

Omaha Electric Light and Power Co.
Incorporated 1903 in Maryland. Officers: George H. Harris, president; William D. McHugh and W. M. Burgess, vice presidents; S. E. Schweitzer, secretary-treasurer.

Citizens Gas and Electric Co.
(Controlled by Omaha Electric Light and Power company through ownership of entire \$400,000 outstanding capital stock.) Bonds: First \$5, dated 1909, due January 1, 1928; \$14,000,000 outstanding.

Nebraska Telephone Co., Omaha, Neb.
(Controlled by American Telegraph and Telephone company through ownership of all of the stock.) Incorporated in Nebraska, 1882. Operates under Bell patents in Nebraska, South Dakota and parts of Iowa.

Omaha Gas Company.
(Controlled by United Gas Improvement Co., Philadelphia.) Incorporated, 1897 in Nebraska. Capital stock, Common, \$2,500,000 authorized, preferred, \$1,250,000 authorized, all outstanding. Transfer agency, Omaha.

Twice Told Tales

Obliging Parson.
At a certain church in a Jersey town it is the invariable custom of the clergyman to kiss the bride after the ceremony. A young woman who was about to be married in this church, did not relish the prospect and instructed her prospective husband to tell the clergyman that she did not wish him to kiss her.

Pure Accident.
When David R. Francis, recently appointed superintendent of the Missouri Pacific, was given the honor of presentation of the state capital, he was naturally interested in the huge population of Jefferson City, the state capital.

When a Transient Board.
A tourist in Ireland once upon a couple of men "in holes" riding on the road. The man on top was prodding the other within an inch of his life. The tourist looked on for a moment in silence and then intervened.

The Bee's Letter Box

The Two Points of View.
OMAHA, May 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: You have printed letters on the subject signed by E. A. Benson and Charles E. Foster and by Dr. J. P. Connelly, but I fear the public is becoming confused over the so-called controversy between Park Commissioner Hummel on the one side and Superintendent English on the other, and ought to have the points of view of both of them more clearly.

Commissioner Hummel has been in charge of the parks for years and made such a success of his work that he was re-elected with the largest vote given any of the commissioners as a sign of popular approval. He believes he represents the people of Omaha and particularly the taxpayers, and that all the various activities of park administration should be developed, rather than just a few of them.

Commissioner Hummel believes in standing by Omaha to the extent of giving Omaha people preference in his department, other things being equal, and also giving preference to people who have to earn a living, rather than those who do not need it, or who are already on some payroll, and want merely to earn a little extra money during vacation.

Superintendent English, on the other hand, comes here from outside on recommendation of the National Playground organization as a playground expert. He has his reputation at stake as well as that of the national association, and doubtless expects by making good here to be called eventually to some other city which offers a bigger field and a bigger salary.

Thanks from Swedish Hospital.
OMAHA, May 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: A word of thanks to all who so willingly gave their time last Saturday to make the flower day a real success.

Water Power Development.
SCOTT'S BLUFF, Neb., May 2.—To the Editor of The Bee: About March 29 some of our engineers expressed their doubts about the economy and the practicability of hydro-electric development. I said then that the best answer was that men with money were ready to get at the development.

Editorial Snapshots
Pittsburgh Dispatch: Now the rights of the Swiss are reported being violated. But haven't we been assured that Switzerland's preparedness was proof against that.

Chicago Herald: A dispatch from Mexico City tells of a great victory over the rebels in that part of Mexico. The "defeat" government can always pull off a victory in a region where it controls the telegraph lines.

Indianapolis News: Some of the speakers at the convention of the American Academy of Political and Social Science would appear to have such a gift of prophecy that it would be worth while for them to hang out their shingles and go into the prophesying business as a regular job.

New York World: Mortality figures for the entire country for 1914 show a marked increase in deaths from heart diseases. This is an ailment against which organized preventive measures are less effective than against tuberculosis or typhoid.

Washington Post: When it comes to downright contradictions and all-around nonsense, we don't suppose there's a state in the Union that can compete with Nebraska.

Buffalo Express: Refused a nomination by the democrats, Charles W. Bryan will run for governor of Nebraska on a populist ticket in William Jennings Bryan also to follow him out of the party.

Still, that's the way he broke into the big tent in 1906. Springfield Republican: The fact that Mr. Bryan's brother got the populist nomination for governor discloses the interesting fact that the populist party still lives somewhere in Nebraska. Philadelphia Ledger: The vote against Mr. Bryan in Nebraska is rolling up as rapidly as in former days the vote for him used to do.

GRINS AND GROANS.
Mrs. Newmarrie, (sorrowfully, after departure of her husband's rich uncle)—It's too bad the dinner was a failure, dear. Mr. Newmarrie—But it wasn't a failure, darling. It took at least a year from uncle's life.—Philadelphia Ledger.

DEAR MR. KABIBBLE, IF MY FIANCE IS LATE, DON'T YOU THINK HE OUGHT TO PHONE ME RATHER THAN MAKE ME WAIT TILL HE ARRIVES? YES—I WOULD RATHER GET THE CALLING DOWN OVER THE PHONE!

What do you think the government ought to do about this matter? "I can't discuss that," replied Senator Borah. "What I want to get at as a preliminary matter is what my constituents think I ought to think."—Washington Star.

Visitor—How are things here in town? Uncle Eben—Fine. We have had an ammunition factory in operation for two months here and we've had three months of leap year and there ain't been any catastrophes from either yet.—Judge.

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COCK-SURE.
A. L. Salmon in Jordan. Happy the man whose single view no hesitance or doubt complexes, who rears his fabric of the true without anesque.

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