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Right in Lincoln, too! Can such things be?  
Up to date the groundhog is bating way above 300.  
Tammany and the National league have one thing in common—Murphy is the name.  
With Senator Gore and the woman it seems to be a question of who "grabbed" first.  
"I have nothing to say," says Mr. Rockefeller. "But a lot to pay," reply the tax men.  
The unkindest cut of all to Boss Murphy is the incision made by Boss Croker's knife.  
Mr. Wright says sailing over seas in aeroplanes is foolhardy. So we see every time anyone tries it.  
"Uncle Joe" Cannon may be losing some of his physical vigor, but none of his faith in republican principles.  
All had on tango costumes—New York Evening Mail.  
Another way of saying they did not have on much.  
That is a fine idea—make the platforms "short, very short," then the standard-bearers might be able to remember them.  
Could you imagine a more appropriate conclusion of that mouse middle-of-the-road rally at Lincoln than a "whistling solo"?  
Superintendent Kugel has the right idea as to the pool hall. It should not be permitted to continue as a menace to good order.  
State Treasurer George's record in office will stand by itself without any special belaboring, and that is what worries the democrats.  
Wireless messages passing between Germany and the United States is another evidence that the world is getting smaller all the time.  
The literacy test would be all right if it tested an immigrant's mental, moral and physical fitness as a candidate for American citizenship.  
Congress is going to spend another big batch of money to improve the Missouri below Kansas City and let the ravages on the farm lands above that point continue unchecked.  
Pioneer Medill McCormick's grouping of names will appeal to a lot of folks as another good reason why the republicans should get together and let the bull moosers go their way.  
Mr. Rockefeller sends a note to the collector saying he will pay his taxes in "due time." Which does not help the collector any, since the taxes are so long overdue as to be delinquent.  
Nebraska business men have finally won the Omaha senator to Omaha's side in the fight for a regional bank. Now watch the senator come in for the glory of landing the bank when we get it.  
The state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league says Lincoln is the worst town in the state. Heretofore Lincoln has manifested a high regard for Mr. Carson's discriminative judgment. How now?  
In less than a month the Omaha police have cleared up a crime that seemed most baffling when committed. Better evidence of the efficiency of the force could scarcely be asked. But, will the critics who roared so loudly against the department a few days ago now admit their error?

**The Personality of Guilt.**  
It seemed a most remarkable thing when thirteen members of the so-called "Poultry trust" of New York were convicted and sent to the penitentiary for three months each. But why was it remarkable? The evidence against them was overwhelming and convincing. Of their guilt there could be no doubt.  
Says the assistant district attorney who prosecuted the case:  
While the statute under which the defendants were convicted has been on the books for about half a century, this is the first conviction in which a jail sentence has been imposed. It is the first prosecution successfully maintained in the effort to make guilty persons aware of violations of anti-trust acts have occurred.  
There is the remarkable feature of it, that after an army of public prosecutors and administrators of the law all these years prating about the personality of guilt and demanding new laws on the subject, the district attorney of New York City quietly and without any gallery-acting sends thirteen trust barons to prison under this fifty-year old law.  
It is manifestly not new laws we need to make guilt personal, but the right sort of men in charge of the laws.  
**The Omaha Home-Coming.**  
Much practical benefit, as well as pleasure, may result from the homecoming of former Omahans as planned by the governors of Ak-Sar-Ben as a feature of next autumn's festival. The proposal suggests that the city is passing out of the stage of youth and adolescence into that of dignified maturity. And this is apt to occur quickly to the thoughtful of those who return, especially if they have not been "home" for a decade or so. They will not at first comprehend all the improvement of these years, but as they do gradually will appreciate the splendid constructive force of the citizenship of which they were once a part.  
Omaha has builded, not only fast, but substantially. Commercially the city stands as the Gibraltar of the middle west. Now, having secured the foundation for its business supremacy, it is turning its attentions more than in the past to the other feature of life, namely, to making of Omaha a yet better city in which to live. It is not necessary to attempt to recount the individual mutual pleasures and advantages possible from such a home-coming, bringing people from all points of the compass to convince any of the desirability of the project, for whose success all present residents of the city may co-operate when the time comes.  
**As to Railroad Rates.**  
Shippers giving testimony before the Interstate Commerce commission are opposed to increased railroad freight rates, but it is still questionable how far their attitude will affect the decision of the commission. It seems hardly reasonable to suppose that the commission essayed this inquiry in the belief that it might result in aligning shippers in support of a plan to advance rates.  
What will be the actual effect on the railroads if rates are not advanced? That seems to be a logical point. But how are we to get at it? This whole question of rates is intricately involved with the matter of over-issue of stocks and bonds and the "unscrambling of eggs," and cannot finally be settled apart from these aspects of the general problem. And just now, with so many specters of doubt and suspicion looming up on the horizon of the railroad world, as an immediate consequence of the late experiences of the New Haven, Frisco and Rock Island, seems a most inauspicious time for attempting action on the rate question.  
**Income Tax Riddle Solved.**  
A ninety-page booklet has been sent out by the Treasury department to "clear up" all the mysteries and misunderstandings of the complex income tax law, with which the country has vainly wrestled for weeks. If you have read this absorbing little volume you are able to appreciate the Treasury department's effort. It makes the law fully as clear as Missouri mud. The booklet gives twenty-three pages to the contest of the law, the next sixty pages to an explanation of how the net income tax is to be ascertained by the taxpayer, the time and place of remittance, penalties, etc. Other spaces go to elucidate that part of the conundrum relating to corporations. Now, if the department will set its expert classifiers to work on a key to this ninety-page explanation it may enable a few of us to understand what it all means.  
Prince Henry is to visit South America officially on the theory, it is said, that Germany wishes to checkmate the United States for cultivating friendship down there by sending Colonel Roosevelt. All of which shows how hard it is for the United States to get itself and the limitations of its influence over its ex-presidents understood abroad.

**Looking Backward**  
This Day in Omaha  
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FEBRUARY 13,  
Thirty Years Ago—  
The employees of N. R. Falconer's store gave an enjoyable masquerade in what is known as Falconer's hall. The committee in charge included M. T. Anderson, A. G. Buchanan, T. P. Cartwright, C. A. Yost and A. McKenzie.  
The first annual ball of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen was a fine success. The committee of arrangements was W. H. Hay, G. T. Anderson, T. D. Kinney, M. A. Higgins, J. H. Burke, and the floor committee, G. T. Anderson, T. B. Kinney, J. G. Sheeber, R. Gentleman, G. C. Fair, W. Burke and P. Ganuine.  
Mr. Charles Klops, foreman of the Herald Job office, is rejoicing over the advent of a fine boy.  
A pleasant party was given last evening by Miss Anna Segelke, at her residence, corner of Eleventh and Pierce.  
Chief Clerk Stacey has an order from the Postoffice department transferring Postal Clerk Frank M. Moore of the Burlington, to take the place of J. B. Southard, resigned, and George A. Smiley from the Missouri Pacific to take the place of Moore.  
A brilliant audience assembled at the roller rink to witness the contest for the gold watch and chain to be awarded to the most graceful lady skater. Miss George Shipman, escorted by John Hitchcock; Miss Mabel Balcombe, escorted by Harry Moreford, and Miss Jennie House, escorted by Charles Gratton, were contestants. Miss Shipman received seventy-two votes, and was declared the successful contestant.  
E. G. Freeman of Afton, New York, is visiting his brother, D. O. Freeman, telegraph operator in the office of Andrew Gordon.

**Keep Off the Track**  
New York Times.  
Mindful of the distressing fact that 350 children have been killed or seriously injured in the last ten years, while playing upon the tracks of the railroads of the United States, the Union Pacific is seeking to reduce the number of fatalities in the section it serves. Accordingly, it has arranged with the public school authorities of Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming and other states served by its lines to teach children the danger of playing or walking on the tracks of a railroad.  
The campaign will be costly, but according to the claim department of the system, the expense of fighting lawsuits and settling claims will be proportionately cut down.  
In Nebraska alone the assistance of 120 school teachers has been enlisted. One method is to affix to every school room a large card, containing pictures illustrating seven "Don'ts" of safety. By order of the superintendent of public instruction teachers will call the attention of the pupils to these pictures several times each month.  
With the assistance of the school authorities the railroad will mail in every teacher a "Safety Bulletin" to the teachers, who will read it to the children. In order to interest the children even more the railroad has offered prizes of \$50 in each county for the best short essays written by school children on the safety subject. To each county will be sent three prizes, aggregating \$150. Likewise, the railroad will conduct a contest for the benefit of the teachers themselves. For the best essay on how to keep the children away from railroad tracks there will be a trip through Yellowstone park with all expenses paid. One prize of this kind is offered to every county in Nebraska where the Union Pacific operates, and similar prizes will be offered in other states.  
**Bouquets for Bryan**  
Washington Star: Did any public man ever pay more cordial tribute to another than Mr. Wilson does to Mr. Bryan in his letter to W. L. Marbury of Baltimore on the subject of the Panama canal toll? It is of the very essence of friendship and affection. Mr. Bryan could not desire more from his chief, nor his friends greater assurances that in the State department he is placed to his liking.  
Boston Transcript: Had President Wilson contented himself with perfunctory endorsement he could have pleaded precedent to limit criticism, but when he says he has been impressed with Secretary Bryan's "capacity for business" he takes the patience of the public, unless he means capacity for the lecture business. In that field Mr. Bryan stands "solitary and alone among all secretaries of state."  
New York Tribune: It is greatly to the president's credit that he knocks the props so completely from under the theory that Mr. Bryan's chief function in this administration is to serve as a scapegoat. Such a theory does little justice to Mr. Wilson's sense of the cabinet's responsibility to him and his responsibility for the cabinet. He is the chief and they are the agents, and what they do is properly laid at his door. He must control and correct, and Mr. Wilson showed his readiness to do that very thing when the attorney general and the secretary of labor made a mess of interfering with the prosecution of the California "slave" cases. He reversed them and pulled the administration out of a half-developed scandal.

**Twice Told Tales**  
East to Butte.  
"The Boston man who, when asked if he had ever been west, replied: 'Yes, indeed, I've been to Albany,' has a counterpart in a chap I met on my last trip to the Rockies," said a Boston copper operator.  
"I was in Spokane, going from the hotel to the railroad station in the hotel bus. A lanky rancher from Walla Walla was beside me."  
"I'm agoin' back to the ranch," he remarked. "Where are you agoin'?"  
"Oh, I'm bound for Butte," said I.  
"Agoin' east all the way to Butte!" ejaculated the rancher. "I'd like to go with you, for I've never been east!"  
**Poor Man.**  
President Elliott of the New Haven railroad, condemning socialism, said:  
"Man is an acquisitive animal, and socialism can't come till he loses his acquisitiveness. That will never be."  
"The seven ages of man have been well outlined by somebody or other on an acquisitive basis. Thus:  
"First Age—Sees the earth.  
"Second Age—Wants it.  
"Third Age—Hustles to get it.  
"Fourth Age—Decides to be satisfied with only about half of it.  
"Fifth Age—Becomes still more moderate.  
"Sixth Age—Now content to possess a six-by-two strip of it.  
"Seventh Age—Gets the strip."—New York Tribune.  
**The Best Policy.**  
Senator Frank B. Brandegee of Connecticut smiled when the topic turned to honesty and said he was reminded of a party who once stole a dog.  
One afternoon the canine kidnapper met a congenial friend on the street and the conversation immediately reverted to the aforesaid knoodle.  
"Maybe you don't believe it, Jim," but I want to tell you that honesty is the best policy after all."  
"What ye drivin' at, Jake?" responded the second, wistfully. "Guess ye'll have to come agin'!"  
"Ye know that dog what I stole a few days ago, don't you?" queried Jake.  
"Ye," returned Jim, with a questioning look, "what about him?"  
"For a whole week I tried to sell him for a half a dollar, an' couldn't do it," answered Jake, "an' then I took him back to the woman what I stole him from an' she give me \$5."—Washington Star.

**People and Events**  
Cheer up, patriots! President Wilson has fallen heir to Andrew Jackson's hickory stick. Watch the pie counter get a whack.  
Mr. Rockefeller's noleless departure from Cleveland when asked to pay a million or two in back taxes is now explained by his haste to reach Peonaco to get the money.  
The slickest and nerviest automobile thief in New York is a woman who has eluded all the sleuths and cops of the city for weeks. On the police blotter she is described as "a haughty person, wearing an opera cloak."  
The appellate division of the New York supreme court rules that a husband is not responsible for damage resulting from his wife's carelessness in running an automobile. The spinal column of equal rights carries a few hard knots.  
Mrs. Modill McCormick and her husband have offices in the same building in Chicago and adjoining one another. Mrs. McCormick is chairman of the congressional committee of the National American Women's Suffrage association and Mr. McCormick is vice chairman of the national progressive party.  
John R. McVey, a bachelor who died in Newcaiste, Pa., bequeathed to a nephew \$50 to be used for base ball education in case that he should decide to make a profession of that sport. It was provided, however, that if he boy chose another profession the money might be spent in any way which seemed desirable.  
Because of the fact that their home is situated where the Seminoles Indians used to worship, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yates of Rochester, Fla., have collected in their travels twenty-seven wooden Indians once used to advertise cigar stores, and are planning to place them in a double row on either side of the path between the house and the lake. They have called their home Indian Lodge.

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**Democratic Inconsistency.**  
SARGENT, Neb., Feb. 13.—To the Editor of the Bee: In your valuable paper of February 5, page 2, are two articles which seem very inconsistent, one to the other.  
The first "Demos Formally Declare Suffrage is a State Issue." This article states that the democratic party was formally placed on record as opposed to national legislation conferring the right of suffrage on women.  
Majority Leader Underwood, among other things, is quoted as saying: "If there is one single question that the democratic party is committed to, it is that the franchise should be controlled by individual states." Congress looks upon woman suffrage as of insufficient national moment for its consideration.  
In the next column is the second article referred to: "Aids Drastic Divorce Law." This article refers to proposed constitutional amendment, "Enactment of uniform marriage laws for all states and territories, with provision for separation without permission to remarry, would be directed by the amendment."  
Now, we wonder what Mr. Underwood and our democratic congress will do about this?  
Is it of sufficient moment to occupy their attention?  
Are women justified in wishing to vote on these laws?  
If so, why not expect permission from the party that stands for "local self-government."  
This is a free (?) country, where one-half the human beings must obey the laws made by the other half and executed by the other half.  
We thank God there are fair-minded men in all states. Nearly one-fourth of our states have enough such men to grant justice to human beings, regardless of sex, and have already done so, by sanctioning and granting equal suffrage.  
Congress is opposed to national legislation conferring the right of suffrage on women. Will congress be opposed to national legislation conferring laws governing marriage and divorce for these same women?  
Or will it confer in this case without the petitions, consent or approval of the women to be governed?  
LIZZIE E. M.

**Real Immortals.**  
WAHOOG, Neb., Feb. 9.—To the Editor of The Bee: The above is the title of a short article from the Emporia Gazette and copied into the Nebraska State Journal. The first sentence reads: "Political fame is the cheapest and most ephemeral thing on earth. Only a few years have passed since Blaine, Conkling, Logan and others of that bunch—take notice of the "bunch"—looked like immortals. Their fame filled the country and trickled all over the world. A new generation has grown up and now they are mere shadows—names and nothing more, but the fame of such men as Longfellow, Emerson and Lowell gains new lustre with the passing years."  
We are glad that public sentiment is such that the three greatest of American writers of both prose and poetry may gain new lustre with the advancing years. Nothing is too good for these apostles of the civic, moral and social virtues. No need of praise that can be consistently bestowed upon them will make them compensate for the good they have achieved for the age in which they lived, and indeed for the ages to come, for, though being dead, their works still follow them. And they were all large men, nothing small about their estimate of men and their possibilities. For instance, Emerson never subscribed to the doctrine that one man could live, die and go to heaven, while his neighbor would live, die and necessarily fall to go to heaven. Nor did he believe in the eternal contrast between men. Nor did he teach that the judgment of the preacher or the president as affecting issues in which the public is vitally interested is more valuable after they have assumed the role of public teachers or leaders than it had previously been. In a copy of his essays I read something like this: "Never underestimate your own ability. A truth uttered by one man is just as good and great as when uttered by another."  
The author of "Evangelical" is probably the most popular of our poetical writers, while Lowell is the ablest, the sentiment of one of his personal admirers being that in six days God creates the heaven and the earth and James Russell Lowell. It is possible that God could have created and constituted a trio of characters who would have accomplished more along the same lines than Emerson, Longfellow and Lowell have accomplished, but it is certain He never did. It is universally conceded that their popularity is based on the character of their works, so there is no chance for discussion along this line, nor do we care to discuss it, but we want to call the attention of the reader to the disposition on the part of the Kansas paper to belittle the life work of such men as Blaine, Conkling and Logan.  
When the writer or historian takes a contract of detracting from the motives of men who "for more than a quarter of a century have walked the perilous heights of public life in safety," he, indeed, enters upon an unheroic task that will only result in bringing disaster to himself. The private and public life of Mr. Blaine is spotless and his "Twenty Years of Congress" is authority and unimpeachable as to its dictation, its veracity, its premises, its deductions and its conclusions, while his hundreds of addresses on innumerable topics, delivered before all kinds of audiences, were applauded and appreciated at home and abroad, and his "Memorial Address" on Garfield, delivered before the assembled houses of congress and at their invitation, is probably unparalleled in the history of this or any other country.  
Mr. Conkling also won immortal honors as the champion of laws and policies that redounded to the honor and welfare of the people and the country, because they freed the first two foundations of the Republic. He won immortal honors in the forum of the greatest senate on earth and his forensic effort in support of Grant for president is unsurpassed in point of ability and oratory in the history of modern times.  
Of John A. Logan Mr. Blaine said: "The country has probably produced greater military geniuses, and it may have produced more brilliant and fascinating orators, but it is doubtful if it has combined the two qualities in a more eminent degree in one man than in the case of Logan. General Logan is the only man, who in the civil war rose from the ranks to the position of major general, and he did this without the aid of military training at West Point, and so far as we know from any other military academy. For eighteen years he stood