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Looks a little squally for the administration pet currency bill.

Omaha voters evidently have a constitutional objection to taking gas.

So far as one can tell, the long, dry spell has not damaged the hay fever crop.

Sulzer should have shown better than to try cutting the bases on Umpire Murphy.

Folks who ride in autos evince much more interest in good roads than those who foot it.

Our retailers sure started something when they took the lid off that early closing Pandora box.

It is always reassuring to know, however, that the weather man sweaters the same as the rest of us.

A two-thirds vote in a special election is a fairly good exhibit of civic interest and general participation.

Only 391 registered socialists in Omaha, but they make as much noise as if there were 3,091 of them.

It is at least charitable to say that "Omaha played in bad luck" in chronicling the reports of the last ball game.

"Are the ladies of London different?" asks a Hearst paper. Some evidently are strikingly different from others.

Governor Blease of South Carolina expresses a desire to go to the United States senate. All right, if he will hurry back home.

President Huerta may be excused for not trying to carry out his bluff to ignore John Lind, seeing he did not know Lind beforehand.

Harry Linder is to be a producing manager next season—Theatrical notes.

If he is the kind of a manager that he has been a player he will be a producer.

Thaw's father allowed him \$3,500 a year, but the loving mother raised it to \$50,000. How did the good woman expect the boy to spend \$50,000 a year without inviting trouble?

Mathematical riddle: If two and two make four, how much is the Water board losing for the taxpayers by borrowing \$500,000 at 4 1/2 per cent, and loaning it to the banks at 2 per cent?

Three roads were open to Thaw out of Mattewan, one leading straight into New York City, one to the Connecticut state line and one to Canada. It is easy to guess the road he did not take.

Oh, yes, that reduction in fire rates for Omaha is coming. So is Christmas. Those underwriters are almost as good promoters as our Water boarders, whose promises are several notches below par.

Governor Morehead won't take money for public addresses or chautauqua lectures. What he would do if he were offered a \$500 guaranty and half the excess gate receipts is left to the imagination.

It transpires that "Brother Charles" is to be associate editor, as well as publisher, of Mr. Bryan's once-a-month Commoner. The inference must be that "Mc" landed that Panama job at just the right time.

Talking of the law's delays, here are the poor Greeks, whose places were pillaged and property destroyed in the South Omaha riots several years ago, still trying to find out whether they must look to congress or to the state for reparation.

Expedite the Lawsuit.

By decisive majority the voters of Omaha have decided they prefer to try out in court the claim of the city that it has a right to reduce the price of gas under the present franchise rather than make a settlement that would give the desired reduction at once in exchange for franchise extension.

Incidentally, the public should be reminded that this lawsuit involves two separate and distinct propositions (first), whether the rate schedule embodied in the existing franchise, with over five years yet to run, is binding upon the city the same as other parts of the agreement, and (second), whether the proposed \$1 price is reasonable and compensatory to the company.

To the layman, it would seem that the first question could and should be decided by itself, but according to the accepted legal procedure, so the lawyers tell us, all the issues must be tried together.

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The tendency of these radical fashions is deplorable because it is away from that crowning quality of womanhood, modesty, which in all ages has been the charm attracting men's love and admiration.

The Nebraska Apple. Through the Nebraska Fruit Growers' association comes the report of the sale of about three-fourths of southeastern Nebraska's 1913 apple crop at prices 50 per cent better than last year's.

Nebraska's soil and climate are admirably well adapted to apple culture and apples make a profitable crop, affording diversification in the industry of farming of exceptional value in years such as this, when corn or other crops may be blighted.

And here in another point. With the organization and the label, we ought to enlarge our storage facilities within our own territory.

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All of which must be gratifying to the enemies of race suicide, but not entirely a unique condition. Omaha has movies that offer prizes for babies' photos, which are nightly thrown upon the screens during the progress of the beauty competition.

So there are communities in the country where the baby's popularity has regained sufficient ground as to place him ahead of the poodle dog in the race for domestic preferment.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

Thirty Years Ago—Improvements in Prospect Hill cemetery are noted, among them a fine monument erected upon the lot of S. S. Caldwell.

Twenty Years Ago—While C. S. Cullingham remained champion in the singles, Conrad H. Young and L. C. Denis won the doubles in the Nebraska state tennis tournament.

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Twice Told Tales

Force of Habit. Senator Le Baron B. Colt of Rhode Island told a story a few evenings ago which would seem to indicate that it was to be carefully weigh your words and study your surroundings before you spring the talk.

Simplicity and Socialism. The late Charles H. Cramp, the Philadelphia ship builder, had little sympathy with socialism, and to illustrate the socialist's pigheadedness he used to tell a story.

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The Bees Letter Box

Responsibility for the Insane. OMAHA, Aug. 20.—To the Editor of The Bee: I have been reading with interest your exhibit of the menacing spread of insanity in this state and your demand for care and treatment of insane persons in hospitals equipped and conducted for their relief instead of crowding them without needed attention in the county poor farm.

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CHERRY CHAFF.

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"He never lets it pass through if he knows his business, my son."—Washington Times.

"I understand your daughter is going to marry a title." "Yes, replied Mr. Cumrox. "You seem rather gloomy about it."

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