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Looks a little like a new Boar war. Europe can fight as long as it can feed, and no longer.

Closed season for candidates commences November 3. The south insists its cotton argument is all wool and a yard wide.

The little lambs of gentle Portugal are still safe from the dogs of war.

If the weather man were running for office he would not land a single coal dealer's vote.

Only those who know "Tim" Healey can fully appreciate the joke of him being taken for a German spy.

"He left the republican party after he was denied its ownership," remarked Senator Sherman of Illinois. Wonder whom he means?

The old hymn which runs, "Peace, like a river, attendeth my soul," could have no reference to the rivers of northern France and Belgium.

Still, none of the candidates on any ticket have made any public announcement that they do not want any votes cast for them in the Third ward.

A third of the security holdings of the late Darius Miller, president of the Burlington road, are scheduled as poor. A first-class railroad man is not always a shrewd investor.

The appointment is announced from the city hall of a special chauffeur to drive the contagious disease ambulance. Now, there's a job that ought not to excite undue envy.

Heavy rains and muddy roads are said to have greatly interfered with Europe's war thus far. Yes and what will heavy snows and bleak winds do along in December, January and February?

Germany's war loan has been greatly oversubscribed. Nevertheless and notwithstanding, it would hardly be advisable for Omaha to try to float any large bond issue in the present state of the market.

It is refreshing to know that Senator Hitchcock is meeting with such warm receptions and enthusiastic audiences on his political "cruise on the glassy waters." His own personal newspaper organ tells us so.

The way to make sure against the jail feeding graft is to turn out of office the sheriff who tried to put the seal across, and to re-elect the county commissioners who kept the grafter's hands out of the treasury.

All the great reforms that have been written on the Nebraska statute books, with exceptions that could be counted on the fingers of one hand, have been put there by republican lawmakers. That is why the people of the state will elect a republican legislature this year.

Incidentally, do not overlook the fact that six justices of the peace are to be commissioned at the coming election to administer poor man's justice, for which the same integrity and industry is required as for administering justice in the higher courts, and in addition a personal sympathy for the helpless or unfortunate, and a keen discrimination between the imposter and the person with good intentions.



The first Apollo club social was held last evening in Metropolitan hall. George J. Sternard was master of ceremonies and Messrs. G. E. Booth, A. C. Gray and C. E. Thornburg composed the reception committee, and Messrs. D. T. Cooke, A. C. Harbo, T. E. Jones, W. E. Morrier and W. C. Kelly form committee.

Food the Crucial Factor.
How long do you think the war will last? The question is on every lip. The answer probably will hinge more on food supply than on men, munitions or even money. Provided neither side is decisively beaten, the ability of the warring nations to feed their forces in the field and at home, will, in all probability, ultimately determine matters.

Some 20,000,000 men are mobilized in the various countries at war. These are all withdrawn from farms and factories and for the time being are non-producers. In neutral countries in Europe, as well as in Canada, Australia and India, and other colonial possessions affected by the war, additional numbers of men are taken out of the producing class to prepare for emergency.

Chairman George's Good Work.
Regardless of the outcome of the coming election, the good work done by Chairman George of the republican state committee stands forth both by contrast and by comparison. Mr. George has directed the campaign with judgment and composure and good humor. He has not become embroiled in any factional differences, and he has commanded the undivided support of his state committee without any backfire.

The Canal and Railroads.
President Sproule of the Southern Pacific believes that the opening of the Panama canal, diverting traffic from the railroads, will serve only to complicate the problem of railroad earnings, already serious. Furthermore, he believes that even though business should expand within its present bounds of distribution, as it did in 1904, 1905 and 1906, "there would be such a congestion of railroad facilities as will stop the boom by congesting the business of the public and preventing that kind of material improvement and development which every man of business, large and small, is looking forward to as his salvation."

As to the canal, its chief effect should be to develop a larger volume of business. If the same sagacious effort is exerted by the railroads in helping to solve present problems which was put forth to obstruct the canal project, we shall have nothing to worry about. The problems are mutual and should be dealt with accordingly. Admitting the soundness of the plea for constructive criticism, it is useless to blind ourselves to the fact that we might have had such a public sentiment a long while ago but for the hindrance of railroad influence under the old regimes. The people had the change that has come about, but public skepticism must not be too severely criticized by these interests.

The Nebraska Orange Belt.
It seems to be an annual habit of certain southern California newspapers to publish fake reports of the "terrible weather" prevailing in the middle west and east at this season of the year. Such idiotic provincialism has recently been indulged in as usual by at least one prominent Los Angeles paper, which ran a front page story under big black headlines, informing its benighted readers that "back east"—everything east of the Rockies is "back east"—the devil is playing mischief in the weather line. Such drift is not good even for a country so largely dependent upon tourists for its sustenance. The facts are, of course, as our own people and others who are informed know, that hardly in recent years has the middle west experienced such a mild, beautiful autumn as we have had thus far. It is almost unprecedented of late. No need to speak of the summer-like appearance of lawns, parks, trees, the wildwoods in the country round, it is enough to say that our first frost came on October 26.

Perhaps if our friends out west knew that they might consider the advisability of deserting their own perennial summer lands for a home in the salubrious orange belt of Nebraska. At any rate, we commend it to them. Here in this glorious section, while not making an economic staple of our climate, we rather think it is equal to any and superior to most when it comes to its effect on business, happiness and health.

Must the ultimate consumer bear two war taxes, the one levied by congress and another in the form of increased freight rates?

Topics of National Scope

Government by Lawyers.
New York World.
From 1860 to 1914, inclusive, American legislative, national and state, enacted about 10,000 laws. During the same period the decisions of national and state courts filled 630 ponderous volumes. To support this ascription before the National Bar association that we have too many laws, many of them vague, uncertain and well calculated to breed litigation, Senator Root cited these impressive figures. He might have added that lawyers themselves are largely to blame for existing conditions.

Considerably more than one-half of the members of congress are lawyers and members of that profession hold the same preponderance in most of the state legislatures. For the great bulk of the laws passed, lawyers are responsible. They write them, they enact them, in many cases they give them executive approval and in the courts they alone interpret them. If laws are bad, redundant and inconsistent and the administration of justice tardy and unequal, lawyers are chiefly to blame, for the matter is in their own hands.

Defending the Government.
Indianapolis News.
No matter what the occasion, there always seems to be some person, firm or corporation willing to cheat the government. It is a poor memory that does not recall the Spanish war beef scandals. A few weeks before the Panama canal was opened for traffic, it was reported that the steel used in some of the great locks was obtained by the fraudulent and fraudulent efforts of certain persons interested in supplying the government with construction material. There was a feeling of deep relief, however, when Washington officials explained that the alleged conspiracy had been discovered before harm had been done. Now comes the latest example—bad butter supplied to the American troops at Vera Cruz. According to Deputy Attorney General Kennedy, it was "the most damnable piece of work ever perpetrated on the government."

Wage of the Recall.
Pittsburgh Dispatch.
The theory of the recall of judges, which reached enactment in some states and was widely advocated by the more radical element in others, seems to be losing ground and gradually falling into the list of exploded crazes. One of the prominent examples of the change is Governor Chamberlain, who was two years ago advocating the nonrecourse as well as the sound points of the progressive program. He now perceives the weakness of the proposal for submitting judicial recall to popular election and is advocating the election of judges for life in order to free them from political domination. But he mixes up the matter by talking about the removal of unfit judges by petition at popular elections, which would be putting their office tenure under political influence.

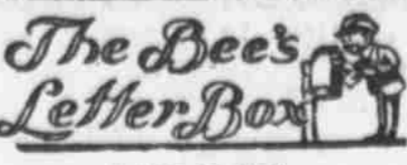
Business on the Mend.
Baltimore American.
With the promised reopening of the cotton trade with England, it is estimated that the export trade of the country for the next six months will be many millions beyond anything heretofore recorded in the history of American commerce. One of the interesting and in a way freak instances of increase of exports is that of horsehoes. The New York custom house shows the export from that point in 1913 of 386 pounds for the month of September, while the month of September of this year showed an export of 2,749,401 pounds.

People and Events.
Dandelion roots, used as medicine, have advanced 300 per cent on account of the war. Gee whizz! Here's a line on how a lawn pest can be turned to profit. The goosebore skin of a hard winter has a warm partner in the location of an Ohio woman to her sisters. "The need of the hour is more petticoats. What do you know about that?" One of the older skyscrapers of New York which shrinks several stories beneath its towering neighbors, resales the eyes of surrounding tenants with a decorated billboard sign flat on the roof, setting forth the superior charms of tenancy in a building near the earth.

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JOLLIES FROM JUDGE.
"Crabapple—Didn't I tell you not to let me catch you doing that again?"
"Crabapple—Then why did you do it?"
"Tommy—Cause I didn't think you'd catch me."

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