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Mr. Harrington's government ownership agitation is taking like ice cream for a winter's breakfast.

The Bee is running a series of articles on the need of Nebraska towns. O'Neill's chief need is less political turmoil.

The portion of President Roosevelt's message bearing on the courts is respectfully commended to those it may concern.

President Roosevelt's divulgment of the inside history of the Bellamy Storer case discloses an incident where the woman undone the man.

Everybody is looking for all there is coming to them and a great many do not allow fine conscientious scruples to interfere with them taking more.

The great mountain constructed by the Independent has melted to a pebble. It finally admits that there is neither shortage in the treasurer's office nor the need of issuing bonds.

Secretary Taft is an expert on fine points of diplomacy. He is also particularly good on clearing the administrative sky of any clouds cast by the misconstructions of an undecerning portion of the public.

H. H. Rogers says that John D. Rockefeller's income this year will be \$60,000,000. "His fortune accumulates at the rate of \$1.90 every time the clock ticks. This is \$114 a minute," says Rogers.

Omaha threatens to evict the private water company supplying the town and put in a municipally controlled plant. O'Neill could give her a few tips on municipal water plants as a financial failure.

The Independent's prediction that there will be scalping of county claims next February is based on the strictly reliable history of the past to the effect that every man who ever sold a claim had to submit to having it scalped.

It would be an unusual thing if the nominee of the state convention for United States senator should be elected without some opposition. But the opposition can not hope to gather force enough to even make a respectable showing.

It would be the same thing with the Independent whoever the board of supervisors selected for county treasurer. We can conceive of no citizen of the county whose the sheet would not brand as a "tool" if he accepted office as a republican.

The pop bosses may have thought it a fine piece of grandstand work to hold the township, school and village funds to swell the grand total turned over by D. J. Cronin, but they had a very short foresight if they thought nobody would discover the deception. About half of the sum turned over by Cronin he had no business to have in his possession for months previous to the expiration of his term.

Kansas populists have given up the battle and their political organization abandoned, the former leaders claiming that Roosevelt is so near their ideal that they can help their own cause along best by becoming republicans. The same is true in Nebraska fact if not in form. Those who have been wandering in political wilderness the last dozen years are somewhat diffident about admitting that the populist movement was a failure by openly renouncing populism and returning to the republican or democratic parties, so they say republicans have brought themselves in line with populists and hence they will vote with republicans. The political history of America discloses that no third party ever succeeded and whenever one has sprung up to remedy real or imaginary

evils it has sooner or later been merged into one or both of the old parties. Whether populist doctrines have been interwoven with republicanism or not each individual can decide for himself, but the fact remains that every advance move made in the United States for the past fifty years was accomplished under a republican administration.

St. Paul Republican: Let it not be forgotten by embryo legislators that an amendment to the revenue law which will authorize assessors to inspect bank, building and loan and other books of deposit is necessary to a fair and equal distribution of the tax burden. So long as men of elastic conscience have their money concealed in places where the assessing officers are forbidden to search, the assumption that everyone must pay taxes upon a fair valuation of his earthly possessions is a howling farce.

Norfolk News: If there were ever desired concrete proof that the post office department could be better run by a private party than by the United States government, a little experience right here in northern Nebraska during the past three weeks would suffice to convince the most skeptical that the proposition made to the postal congress to take over the department and run it as a private business, is worth serious consideration. Where outside the red tape of federal service, would you find a train whose territory had been extended a few miles, utterly handicapped by the additional burden of mail for several weeks after the change was made? When in private business would there be found management so slack as to allow such abominable service as has been given between Norfolk and Chadron during the past three weeks, to continue unimproved? While Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden is busying himself in an effort to increase the postage rates against newspapers, he might take a moment off in his valuable time and give the newspapers a service worth what they are paying at the present time.

Senator Tillman has made many a rash break, but about the strongest noted recently is on the race question. He says: "The younger element of negroes are being taught that they are equal to the white man and are 'at this time endeavoring to get these rights, led by Booker T. Washington, a half breed, who is seeking a political position.' We will resort to the shotgun, which is the best instrument I have ever seen, to make a negro stay in the road. I advocate a passport and police system, so we may keep track of these animals. Lynch law is all we have left. The question of voting will in the long run be settled by the shotgun." Tillman would incite to lawlessness and mob violence and settle differences with the shotgun. It is the spirit that seeks to destroy instead of build up. In striking contrast are the words of President Roosevelt in his last message to congress: "There is but one safe rule in dealing with black men as with white men; it is the same rule which must be applied in dealing with rich men and poor men; that is, to treat each man, whatever his creed? or his social position, with evenhanded justice on his worth as a man. White people owe it quite as much to them selves as to the colored race to treat well the colored man who shows by his life that he deserves such treatment; for it is surely the highest wisdom to encourage in the colored race all those individuals who are honest, industrious, lawabiding and who therefore make good and safe neighbors and citizens."

"Big Florrie."

Alfred Henry Lewis sketches in Pearson's Monthly the personality and career of Florence Sullivan, commonly known as "Big Florrie," a type of Manhattan politician:

Big Florrie began to make a living at the printers' trade. His health suffered from the confinement and he took up the open air life of a boatman. In this life he developed until he became a muscular marvel. Next he became a policeman of the river squad and fought with the river thieves of all sorts. Tiring of the policeman's life, he opened a saloon and sold drinks for four years. He kept "a lily white place," but he sickened of the business. He never has tasted liquor or tobacco himself and he could not see why he should sell such things to others. He had made money, but he could not

keep it; he was too generous. Mayor Van Wyck gave him a city office at a good salary at a time when he was penniless, and after that, apparently, he was no longer penniless. Boss Croker put him in charge of the Tammany organization of the Eighth district, the infamous red-light district.

The first thing Big Florrie did was to buy a pair of kid gloves, so as not to soil his hands. The next thing was to go out into the street and knock down the first specimen he met of the species of men who live on the earnings of fallen women. Then he went through the district, smashing right and left, careful not to touch the vile creatures with ungloved hands, but feeling and bruising all whom he found of this class. Within a week the district was cleaned up. No one dared to come again within reach of the iron hand within the glove, and the police had orders not to interfere.

Having driven out those whom he did not want there, he became the feudal lord of those who were left. Picnics, balls, chowder parties, and excursions were given at his expense. Free turkeys, free bread, free lunches were provided for him. Funeral expenses were paid where there was poverty, and flowers sent where the bereaved were left in comfort. He broke an engagement with two United States senators because on the way he read in the paper that two old women were to be evicted for nonpayment of rent, and he did not arrive at the rendezvous until the women had been placed in comfort. He wet his feet and realized the discomfort of imperfect footwear. Before he returned home he had bought \$15,000 worth of shoes and stockings and left them at the clubhouse for distribution.

"Democrats?" he was asked. His answer was, "Don't talk politics nine months before election day. Look for barefoot people."

"In such a district who can contend with such a man?" comments the Chicago Tribune. "The people know nothing of political principles: they care nothing for reform or for civil service. They are for the man who sympathizes with them, who may plunder the rich for all they know, but spends the money in his district. They will follow the man who has the strength and the courage to face his enemies and those whom he considers enemies to the people and knocks them down and out. When students of civic problems lament the existence of the boss they are wasting their tears over something which suits the bossed."

When to Go Home.

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun, go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Gilligan & Stout.

Very Low Rates to Lincoln, Neb., Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold December 11 to 14, inclusive, limited to return until December 17, inclusive, on account of Nebraska Corn Contest and convention. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 24-2

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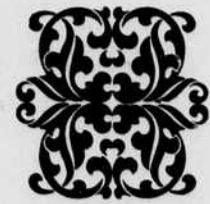
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