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ONE DOLLAR THE YEAR



By the way, how "wet" is Maine?
Or is Maine "wet?"

Good morning! Have you deposited
any money in a postal savings bank
yet?

President Taft is vociferously de-
fending the supreme court. It doubt-
less needs it.

The West Point Republican is earn-
estly supporting its editor, James
Elliott, for congress.

Ol' Champ Clark of Missouri con-
tinues to rack up quite a quantity
of severed cordwood these days.

It must be admitted that Governor
Aldrich is keeping pretty well on the
first page under the slug heads.

That Italio-Turko war looks to us
like a whole lot like the amenities at
a wedding down in Russiatown of
Lincoln.

Of course President Taft is deeply
interested in the supreme court. He
took good care to make it just what
it is today.

The silence of Clarence E. Harman
may be a foreboding of something
awful about to happen to Michael Har-
rington of O'Neill.

For a man who "can't be elected
delegate to the national convention"
Mr. Bryan is drawing some mighty
big crowds to hear him talk politics.

When Governor Harmon comes to
Nebraska the occupants of the first
auto in the parade will be the chauffeur,
Governor Harmon, John C. Maher and
others.

Attorney General Wickersham has
ordered the steel trust to dissolve,
and if it refuses Attorney General
Wickersham will slap it right on the
wrist.

The best thing about the president's
visit to Nebraska is that it gave the
newspaper correspondents with him
an opportunity to see the best state in
the Union.

Wallpaper manufacturers are facing
indictment for conspiracy in re-
straint of trade. Judging by samples
some of them ought to be tried for
murder in the first degree.

Postal savings banks are open-
ing up all over the country,
yet we haven't heard of our
friend, Henry W. Yates of Omaha,
throwing any financial fits.

Our German friends are going to
make "German Day" something to
file away in memory. If you fail to
decorate you will simply set yourself
down as a never-wasser.

An alarm of fire took an audience
away from Roosevelt the other day.
And time was, not so very long ago,
when a Roosevelt alarm would have
taken a crowd away from a fire.

Just about the time a lot of other
presidential booms are running on
deflated tires, Uncle Champ Clark's
is going to come booming down the
road. Paste that in your hat!

Maybe Nebraska doesn't warm up to
presidents, but when it comes to pro-
ducing the wealth she is a lallapalooza.
And if Nebraska can not furnish a
president she can, and does, furnish
more foodstuffs to the world than
any other state.

If the people are competent to elect
men who are competent to appoint
judges, then the people are compe-
tent to elect the judges. The appoint-
ed judiciary is a menace to civil lib-
erty.

Dr. P. L. Hall wants it distinctly un-
derstood that he does not favor the
Aldrich currency plan of a central
bank. Dr. Hall's denial was not neces-
sary to convince those who have
known him a long time.

It will be very easy to apply the
criminal clause of the Sherman law
to the labor unions now on strike
against the railroads. A labor union is
the only organization that was ever
cinched under the anti-trust law.

Is the created greater than the cre-
ator? Some men claim that it is un-
republican to elect senators direct.
They insist that a legislature elected
by the people is clothed with more
power than the people who elected it.

Adam Breede denies that he is a
postmaster, that he was ever a post-
master, or that he yearns to be a
postmaster. It would be a pity to spoil
a mighty successful newspaperman by
making an ordinary postmaster out of
him, and we hope Adam sticks to the
tripod.

SHOULD BE REMEMBERED.

Governor Harmon, in addressing the
city club of St. Louis recently gave
utterance to a great truth when he
said:

"The best city government will fail
unless the citizens remember that no
government is automatic."

Everybody in general, and reformers
in particular, should ponder over that
remark. The trouble with most civic
"reformers" is that they lay down on
the job as soon as they get control of
a municipality. On the other hand,
the enemies of good government are
never idle. The only way to achieve
reform, municipal or governmental, is
to stick to the job every day in the
week, and every hour of the day. A
municipality faces its gravest danger
at the moment when a "reform" ticket
is elected.

MEN'S FORWARD MOVEMENT.

The Men and Religion Forward
Movement which was launched in
Minneapolis early on October 2,
promises to be the greatest movement
of its kind in the history of the
American Church. Thirty experts
dealing with various phases of the
social and religious problem are to be
at work in the city for a week con-
ducting mass meetings and conferences.
Social service is to be given a prominent
place in the program. The meetings
will be held in nearly 100 of the prin-
cipal cities of the United States, but in
addition practically the same program
will be carried out in fully a thousand
smaller cities and towns. Each of the
cities is making a very thorough
study of the social conditions of the
people. The educational advantages,
especially for the sons of workmen,
will be studied by experts, the question
being raised as to whether the courses
of study in the public schools have in
mind the 95 per cent of the workmen's
children who do not go to col-
lege, but who are compelled to enter
the shop and factory at an early age.

A study will be made of the public
libraries, of the amusements and
recreational life of the people, as
well as the number of boys arrested
and the causes of their arrests. The
immigration problem will be sym-
pathetically studied, and the question of
municipal administration will be hand-
led in a scientific manner. A survey
of the industrial life of the community
showing the working conditions as to
hours, wages, and the sanitary state
of shops and factories will be made.
The investigators will look into the
matter of Organized Labor, studying
very frankly the entire situation, and
giving a public discussion on the
problems of the workman.

The causes of crimes and arrests
will be discovered. The question of
the disposition of those who are arrest-
ed and the qualifications of the judges
and superintendents of our various
philanthropic organizations and public
institutions will be investigated. The
housing problem is an important part
of this study. The movement will try

THE STYLE FROM O'ER THE POND

BUT THE MAKE THE BEST--AMERICAN

Our British cousins may be able to give us pointers on clothing comfort, and even on clothing style, but our American craftsmen in the garment industry are the most highly skilled in their craft of any workers, anywhere. So when we combine English style and fit with American skill in craftsmanship the result works an epoch in the clothing industry. The season's styles, English, but workmanship American.

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to discover whether there is over-
crowding and whether the law is
being observed with regard to light
and ventilation, and whether there is
sufficient space for yards and courts.

The matter of the city's health will
be surveyed. The number of deaths per
one thousand population during the
past ten years, showing the record
for each year and indicating causes
of death for each year, will be asked;
also the percentages of deaths of
children under one year of age, as
well as of older children. Investigation
will be made of the number of deaths
from tuberculosis, but principally an
attempt will be made to arrive at the
causes of the diseases from which most
of the people in the city have died,
and a very definite attempt will be
made to get at those who are responsible
for the sufferings of the people in
this connection.

The political life of the community
will be studied and, it is hoped that,
as a result of this study, the men in
the town will line up definitely with
the parties or leaders who stand for
the best interests of the people, re-
gardless of their political affiliations,
whether or not the hospitals are effi-
ciently conducted, and if adequate
provision is being made for the poor of
the city will be a large part of this
inquiry. The care of the aged and
little children will be gone into pretty
thoroughly.

This entire study will be conducted
upon the most approved scientific
principles, and undoubtedly, as a
result of this survey, there will emerge
a definite policy concerning the
treatment of the unfortunate and the
handicapped who are going through
life often suffering on account of the
misdoings of others. Such a movement
should appeal to every workman,
and it is hoped that if the Men and
Religion Forward Movement comes to
the cities in which there are central
labor unions, or even if there are only
detached groups of organized work-
men, that organized labor will respond
to it.

Among the speakers connected
with the social service part of the
work, are such men as Raymond
Robbins, Graham Taylor, Professor
Rauschenbush, and Charles Stelzle.

COLUMBUS DAY.

Last Thursday was "Columbus
Day." By enactment of the last legis-
lature October 12 is a legal holiday,
because just 419 years ago Christo-
pher Columbus discovered us. That is,
he discovered a bum little island down
in the Caribbean sea and thought he
had discovered a new route to the
East Indies. Chris was some man, be-
lieve us. He figured out that the
world was round, and the wise gaza-
boos of his day tapped their foreheads
significantly when Chris shambled by,
signifying that he had cobwebs in his
garret. They looked on Chris pretty
much as the wise heads of Dawson's
Landing looks on Dave Wilson after
Dave expressed a wish to be the own-
er of one-half the dog that was mak-
ing night hideous with his howls. But
Chris stuck to his geography "bug"
and made good. He had to turn some
pretty cute tricks to get away with
his scheme. One of the best was in-
ducing Queen Isabella to hook her
sparks and loan him the money to buy
his bum little boats. You and I
wouldn't trust ourselves on the heav-
ing bosom of Capital Beach lake dur-
ing a squall in either one of Chris'
near-ships. Remember 'em? The
Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Marie.
We've often thought Chris was all to
the forgetful when he failed to name
one of his boats after the dame who
put up the spon for the trip. Another
of Chris' cute stunts was the egg
trick. The wise men of the Spanish
court said Chris was dippy, and Chris
asked them if they could balance an
egg on its little end. They tried and
failed, and admitted that it was be-
yond them. Chris took the egg, tapped
a flat place on the little end and stood
it up. Then he leaned back in his
Morris chair and gave the wise boys
the equine eachinnation.

Columbus didn't accumulate much
as a result of his voyage of discovery,
save some handcuffs and leg irons and
a bed on the stone floor of a dark
dungeon in Havana. A lot of us met
last Wednesday night and banquetted
in Chris' honor, each one of us stow-
ing away more grub in an hour than
Chris got in a month of his dungeon

service. We're paying the old boy a
lot of honors these days, but it's a
cinch that if he could tell us about
it he would say that 419 years is an
awful long time to go without being
given the glad hand. But that's usu-
ally the way. A lot of us won't live
to get all that's coming to us—for
which we ought to be duly thankful.
We can't all be Christopher Colum-
buses, but we can do what Chris didn't
have the nerve to do—we can get out
the hammer first and put the would-
be knockers out of commission.

Chris was a Genoese by birth, but
he isn't to be blamed for that. It was
his misfortune, just as it is the mis-
fortune of some men to be born in
New Jersey. Chris got away from his
birthplace as soon as he could, which
marked him as being wise. A lot of
men born in New Jersey haven't got
any more sense than to stay there, in-
stead of coming to Nebraska.

PLEASE EXPLAIN.

Governor Aldrich rightly says that
it is foolish to inject the presidential
question into the campaign this year.
Those friends of Mr. Taft who have
persisted in doing this, are doing more
to defeat their man than even the
radical insurgents.—Albion News.

The esteemed News should explain.
Why is it foolish to inject the presi-
dential question into this campaign?
In six months we will be called upon
to express our choice of candidates.
The lines are already forming. Presi-
dent Taft is making his bid for re-
nomination. La Follette's friends are
active. Democratic partisans are lin-
ing up for the men of their choice.
National policies are discussed to the
exclusion of everything else these days.
Why is it foolish to recognize what is
patent on its face?

HEAR, HEAR!

Sometimes a merchant says that he
doesn't need to advertise because he
has been in business in his present lo-
cation ten, twenty or thirty years. In
some cases the goods on his shelves
have also been in business that long,
but it's no particular honor to the
store.—Beatrice Sun.