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ISN'T THIS CHILD'S PLAY?

The attorneys representing the Babcock interests in the Loup river power project have secured from Judge Thomas of Platte county an injunction restraining the Koenig-Sharp interests from further pushing their contest of the Babcock filing.

Will Maupin's Weekly is not particularly interested in what group of men secure the advantage, its chief concern being to have the matter speedily adjusted and the development of the great project begun. It has expressed its friendship for Mr. Babcock because of his devotion for years to the development of the great power project. But it does not particularly matter which of the contesting groups secures a decision from the state board, for the matter will finally have to be adjudicated in a court of equity. Hence we opine that this resort to the injunction is rather in the nature of child's play. It can serve only to further delay a project already delayed too long. This newspaper never did have much use for the injunction writ anyway. It is high time that the state board get down to business on this matter. It will be a crime against the state to have this great work delayed by attempts at "playing politics" with it. Let the board decide between the contestants, then let the matter be taken into the courts—where it will eventually go—and there be threshed out speedily. There are factory wheels a plenty awaiting motive power from the electricity to be generated by the Loup river power project. Let's permit neither politics nor child's play to further postpone definite action.

NEBRASKA SNUBBED, AS USUAL.

Everybody's Magazine for June has a handsomely illustrated and well written article on apple growing in the United States. It mentions the growth of the orcharding industry, then proceeds to tell about the great apple growing regions of the country.

BUT THE GREATEST APPLE GROWING SECTION OF THE REPUBLIC IS NOT MENTIONED AT ALL.

Everybody's signally fails to say a word about Nebraska, yet Nebraska raises the finest apples grown in America, and has more lands adapted to apple growing than almost any other state.

Nebraska orchards yield better than the orchards of Washington or Oregon, and the cost of bringing an orchard to bearing, including the initial cost of the land, is far less than in any of the northwestern states. Nebraska orchards do not have to be irrigated.

They are nearer the big markets than the orchards of the northwest. There are no finer apples grown anywhere than the apples grown in Nebraska.

But it is easy to understand why Everybody's failed to mention Nebraska. Nebraska has not been mentioning herself. Other states have been advertising their resources and possibilities while Nebraska has been drifting along in the progressive procession.

As with apples, so with all other crops. Other states are continually advertising their productivity, with the result that they are attracting homeseekers and investors. Nebraska is doing nothing. One never sees Nebraska's name mentioned in magazines save in connection with politics. Yet Nebraska has them all bested in the production of agricultural products per acre, and the value of products per capita.

Is it not high time that Nebraska get into the game and let the world know her for what she is—the most productive state in the Union?

DEMOCRATS GO TO GRAND ISLAND.

The democratic state central committee in session at Lincoln last Tuesday selected Grand Island as the place of holding the state convention, and William H. Thompson was unanimously chosen for temporary chairman. The basis of representation is one delegate for every 150 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Bryan in 1908, with one delegate at large for each county. The delegates at large and district delegates were authorized to select their own alternates. An effort to instruct all delegates for Clark was overruled, although the delegates at large were so instructed. As this had already been done at the primary the reason for the resolution is not apparent.

A New York man offers to bet \$50,000 that Roosevelt would be declared insane if examined by the three leading alienists of the country. But be that as it may, what would become of the country pending an agreement among the alienists as to which three of them are the leaders?

Lincoln entertains many conventions, but none of them is of more importance or productive of greater results to the city and state, then the one she entertains next week—the Nebraska Press Association.



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