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HOW ABOUT OPERATING COSTS?
The state railway commission has set the value of the Omaha traction system—for rate-making purposes—at \$14,100,000.

In approaching a consideration of the problem thus presented, it is probably in due order to take these valuations as being proper.

Merely because the company's books show that a fair return requires larger net earnings, does not mean, however, that the solution is confined to the matter of more revenue.

The Omaha Chamber of Commerce has made an inquiry into the situation, and through its executive committee it urges that three steps be taken to relieve the situation.

First, lift from the street railway company the necessity of paying for paving between and alongside the tracks.

The savings to the company from the first two items amounts to about \$156,000 a year.

THE THINGS WE MIGHT HEAR.
The New York Times opines that there is little to be gained by American radio fans who try to tune in on European nations.

The hinterland, according to the estimate of the average New Yorker, is any section north of Albany and west of Paterson and Jersey City.

Homespun Verse
By Omaha's Own Poet—
Robert Worthington Davis

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THE OLD FARM.
That's something about the old farm in the vale
That calls me, and then onward I go
To answer the calling and follow the trail
That never will fail me, I know.

but being poor hinterlanders we really didn't know about it until the New York Times came to our rescue with the prized information.

WHAT ABOUT WHEELER?
Is Senator Wheeler, running mate of Senator La Follette in the third party's presidential ticket, to be disciplined? Somehow or other democratic newspapers that have professed to have so much fun taunting the republican newspapers about La Follette and Ladd and Brookhart, have overlooked the opportunity to have fun with themselves over Wheeler.

There has not been a real democratic party in the United States since 1896. The semi-organization that has been milling around under a democratic banner since that time resembles the democratic party of Jefferson and Jackson about as much as a groundhog resembles a purebred Berkshire.

Democratic comment upon the disciplining of refractory republican senators provides one of the best opportunities for genuine amusement offered for many a day.

THE PAPER IN BOOKS.

A correspondent of the New York Sun points to an old book in his possession. It is more than a century old, but the paper is unspotted, is as firm as it was when first made, and only slightly yellowed by age.

While we might urge better book paper in case we were permitted to designate the books to be printed thereon, we shall insist that the kind of paper most of the present day output of books is printed on does not matter in the least.

THE BEE SHOE FUND.

The Omaha Bee's "Shoe Fund" is not a new thing. Every winter for several years hundreds of poor little children have been well shod because of the kindly hearted folk who generously donated to the fund.

There is no expense of administration. The Omaha Bee acts as the intermediary between those who have and those who are in need.

It is one of those opportunities to do something for the unfortunate little fellows; a chance to get the kick of real joy through the knowledge that you have made some little one happy and comfortable.

President Coolidge not only talks economy but practices it. Just think of the composition bills he enabled the newspapers to prune down by making his message brief and to the point.

Animosia, a sensitive shrub, develops nervous prostration when touched too often. There seems to be something human about animosia. We've felt the same way, many times.

The new prohibition enforcement officer at Minneapolis is named Stone. It is with extreme difficulty that we refrain from saying that he expects to make it hard for the bootleggers.

It is suggested that three women be appointed on the California boxing commission. It would be a relief to have less free puff even if we had to accept more powder puff.

The democratic campaign committee reports a deficit of \$260,000. Piling up deficits is a chronic habit of the democratic party.

A Little From You Will Help Many



Letters From Our Readers

All letters must be signed, but names will be withheld upon request. Communications of 200 words and less, will be given preference.

A Christian Science Correction.
Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: An evangelist, contributing to your paper, assumes many Baker Edgely must be wrong because her book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," is not recognized by some as an authority on the subject of Christianity.

what Christ Jesus proved to be true. If we are to follow Christ, then his words and works must be the standard by which we accept spiritual teaching. The real issue for Christians is whether they are following Christ in word and deed or are accepting theories which contradict him.

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SUNNY SIDE UP
Take comfort, nor forget,
That sunrise never failed us yet.
Celia Thayer

THE LOOKOUT MAN.
(Dedicated to the Little Folk of America.)
Now listen, little children, and I'll tell a story true—
And better you remember, for it means a lot to you—
For if you heed the lesson, and when Christmas time is here
You'll get a lot of presents and a lot of Christmas cheer.

I also knew a little girl who was just awful bad.
She wouldn't learn her lessons, and she always got so mad
If anybody told her to be still and hush her noise—
Well, she was always wishing for a lot of Christmas toys.

The Lookout Man is peeping through the windows every night,
And counting up the children who are always acting right,
And going off to bed at once when told it's time to go,
And never putting, not a bit, nor taking clothes off slow.

Members of the We Knew Him When Club kindly shove along and make room on the bench for Edmond Simmons of Scottsbluff, new president of the Nebraska Manufacturers' association and district manager for Nebraska of the Great Western Sugar company.

Why, we make bold to ask, is the name of the author of the book on which the motion picture is based always printed in fine type, while the name of the producer, the photographer, the director and the art title writer printed in 12-point?

When milkmen can deliver milk in sieves the Hon. Sam Gompers will be able to deliver the labor vote en bloc.

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Advertisement for Great Western Beet Sugar. Includes illustration of children and text: 'Why those tired little bodies crave sugar. Home from school and an afternoon of hard play, little muscles are tired out... fatigued... and an insistent demand goes up for sweets of one kind or another.'