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The American navy is gradually assuming proportions that should be cause for envy if not worry on the part of other governments. Russia might not be averse to borrowing the boats as well as the men behind the guns.

The constant increase in the price of Northern Securities stock is an indication that it is not altogether valueless and is taken to argue that the officials and holders of the stock are confident of an ability to dodge the laws of the country and the decisions of the supreme court.

It is a conclusion almost amounting to a certainty that if there is any influence standing between the desires of the American people and the passing and administration of laws like that assumed by the grand dukes of Russia, that influence is none other than the United States senate.

The revival business is getting pretty serious at Burlington, Iowa, when the mayor recommends and every store and factory in the city closes so that all employees may attend the meetings. Perhaps there is a religious movement throughout the country that may in time influence even Omaha to perform a like action.

President Roosevelt can only serve the people another four years, but it is hoped and believed that his splendid influence on the life and politics of the nation will trace down through history for many years. His is the kind of administration that has been needed, and it is hoped that the country will never fail to follow the example he has set in dealing with important questions.

The Japanese are buying flour in Minneapolis and the indications are that they will take considerable of America's reduced stock of grain to feed their fighters in the field. This may mean that wheat will be forced up to the \$2.00 mark before another crop is ready for the miller. Let it come. The American farmers can stand \$2 wheat and a chance of getting even with the other trusts and millionaires.

In the dead of winter it may require a little more time to get the Japs thoroughly warmed up to their work, but when they reach that condition there will be something doing about Mukden that is not absolutely on the program of General Kuropatkin. Before spring time arrives with all its beauties and joys they may conclude that a march to Harbin is about the proper undertaking and if they do will go with or without the consent of the Russians.

There are some indications that a few of the newspapers and politicians who have been favoring President Roosevelt's aggressive policy regarding trust and railroad legislation are getting ready to backslide and dodge the issue. As an abstract proposition it must have looked pretty well but when they have been pinned down on some definite point their courage has failed them and they are ready to plead in behalf of the institutions threatened.

The Nebraska legislature may have ridden itself of the confirmed lobbyists, but it evidently has not succeeded in subduing the men who at every term, seek to introduce impossible bills. There are a number before the present session that no one ever expects to be made into laws and they would not be enforced if they were placed on the statute books. The hard working committees, however, are expected to dispose of them in short order.

The steel trust is scheduled to be the next at taking a turn with Uncle Sam and explaining its methods. It is to have a time at proving that it is not operating in restraint of trade. Uncle Sam has a bunch of these trusts on its hands that seem to believe themselves charitable, gentlemanly, kind hearted organizations, but with a reputation among the people that is just contrary and the government is expected to do what it can toward establishing an official basis for the designation of their action to accord with both views of the situation.

The people should not find it necessary to humble themselves before the United States senate to get jus-

tice from the exactions of the trusts and the railroads, but that seems to be the prevailing opinion in that body, and if they insist upon that attitude the sovereign people will undoubtedly early undertake to see that the organization of the upper house of congress is so changed that they will have representation there. There is a strong sentiment in favor of President Roosevelt's recommendations regarding the trusts and the railroads and when the American people make up their minds to the fact that a reform is needed they are pretty certain to have their way and the senate, with its railroad backing, cannot hope to more than put off the proposed changes.

Nebraska is carefully blanketing her productive soil this winter to give it a nice long rest preparatory to the strenuous efforts it will be expected to put forth next season in growing a bumper crop somewhat similar to the one it produced during the past season. It can do just that thing and it is noteworthy that it can rest without being blanketed by snow or not, still people like to think the snow is good for something besides sledding.

Now that they have caught Hoch, the alleged Chicago Bluebeard, it is feared that the courts will not be able to make a charge of murder stick and he will be held only for swindling and bigamy unless his latest wife's stomach shows poison. There is a long suspicion that he is all that has been claimed that he is now mitigated by the fact that he made love to a New York landlady while the officers were hot on his trail, and after an acquaintance of but twenty minutes.

The people of the country will now see whether the beef trust will continue to carry on its methods as it sees fit, after the highest court in the land has declared that it is a conspiracy in restraint of trade in dressed meats. It is to be hoped that hereafter when the small dealer has some meat he wishes to place on the market and the trust comes along and tells him he must put it on at the trust price he can politely turn to the corporation and tell it to go to Uncle Sam and learn that he can do as he pleases in the matter and it is none of the trust's business.

Perhaps the critics of the Hepburn measure for the regulation of railroad rates will now be satisfied since the committee of the house has decided to report a bill made up of the Esch-Townsend measure with amendments from the proposed Hepburn law. It is not astonishing that the democratic members are dissatisfied with the measure, but it is to be hoped that the majority party of congress will find that it fits the case exactly and promptly pass it on to the president. The main end sought by the president and the people is to give the interstate commerce commission authority to act and make it possible for the shippers to secure just and equitable rates with no rebates to curtail the benefits that are expected to accrue.

With the advance in the price of diamonds comes the report that the largest one ever, has been found in the Transvaal. The monster gem is said to weigh 3,032 carats and its value is placed at \$1,000,000. The famous Kohinoor which is valued at \$600,000 and weighs 123 carats, is said to have been the largest previous stone uncovered. This was said to weigh 900 pounds before cutting. The stone would weigh, in its rough state, approaching on two pounds, and finished it should weigh at least half that. It will be a matter of contest between the millionaires and royalties to see who will wear that pound stone dangling from a necklace or nicely set in a finger ring, and perhaps after this contest is over the price of the bauble will have risen above the estimate of four millions.

Russian workmen are reported to be feeling so good over the reported victory of General Kuropatkin in Manchuria that they have forgotten their strikes and revolutionary antics, and are celebrating the achievement of the commander in the far east. Before they have too good a time and feel too enthusiastic they had better wait for the future development of the conflict. They should not fail to remember the precedents of the entire war, which have always appeared favorable to the Russian arms on the start, but have concluded with remarkable victories for the Japanese forces. Before this engagement has been concluded precedent unqualifiedly promises that there will be a sweeping victory for the Japanese growing out of it, then if the malcontents in Russia needed a victory to set them right, it may be demonstrated that a defeat will set them in opposition to the government in greater strength than before. It is a poor rule that will not work both ways.

Nebraska is not the worst state in the union regarding January weather.

Previous affairs should warn the Russians to look a little out. Reported victories for their arms usually end disastrously.

As a remedy for losing fat wallets, having pockets picked of large sums, or losing great wads over the gaming table to the fellow who holds the cards, an era of Grover Cleveland democratic reform might prove remedial.

The Missouri legislature is presenting a telling argument for the popular election of senators. If the people of that state cannot get what they want in that direction, however, they might try the Nebraska plan, which was uniformly satisfactory here.

The Nebraska legislature is steadily maintaining the record with which the session was opened and it is not improbable that it will have given the people the best and most satisfactory value for their money they have ever received when it has concluded.

The town or city which hasn't uncovered the fact that Johann Hoch has visited it and made love to anyone from two to a score of its women, is hardly entitled to a place on the map. He is evidently a far greater and faster traveler than Pat Crowe.

Tom Lawson promises to take care of Standard Oil while the government is doing what it can to the disadvantage of the beef trust, the steel trust and other corporations that have been inclined to grab everything in sight and yell for more.

Two of Dowle's followers are dead and his wife is seriously ill despite the prayers that he has offered for their recovery. The modern Elijah is apparently unable to demonstrate that he is any more capable than some of the Christian Scientists.

What will New Jersey do for revenue if the United States government, the courts and the people continue to hammer away at the trusts and the organization of the same? The little state on the coast is being almost worse hit than the trusts themselves.

Some of the democrats insist that they have a better measure for the regulation of the railroads than that offered by Congressman Hepburn. If they really wish to aid, however, they will support the best republican measure before congress for the purpose.

While Niedringhaus is not rapidly coming to the front in the Missouri senatorial contest, he is evidently gratified to note that none of the other candidates are making headway in the fight and he may be able to hold out as long as the next best man before the legislature.

England seems to be successful in getting into trouble with Russia regardless of where the trouble may take place. Whether it is intended by fate to eventually force that government into the war or just to maintain an interest it is apparent that England is bound to receive or give attention to passing affairs.

That California air ship is liable to do all and more than the Santos-Dumont machine. It was to be expected. Some foreigner may be able to give the Yankees an inspiration for a start, but the latter may be relied upon to show a few achievements in the same line that are not on the original bill and not easily duplicated.

It has been found that Grand Duke Sergius is the ruling influence with the czar of all the Russias, and that it was he who directed the czar's course in the recent crisis. There is additional reason why some of the people of that country would like to meet the grand duke alone on some dark night.

January is usually all thaw in Nebraska, but this year it has gone on record with scarcely an intimation that the sun could warm things up in this section of the country. The people are gratified that it has gone into history and are hoping that because of its severity the ground hog may be good to them with February.

Omaha, with her \$500,000 fire, said to be one of the most disastrous in the history of the city, is not inclined to be at the rear when the fire record for the new year is summarized. It was a serious loss, but the Nebraska metropolis has the enterprise and ability necessary to raise from the ruins institutions of greater worth than those consumed. Enterprising cities have frequently found that fires instead of being insurmountable disasters, are frequently a matter of advertisement and it is expected by the admirers of Omaha that it will derive

more benefit than loss from the conflagration in its wholesale district.

The senate is strenuously attempting to lead the people of the country into the belief that the admission to statehood of the remaining territories is easily the paramount issue of the present session of congress. The public is inclined to believe otherwise, however, and it may require more than the upper house of congress to convince them of their error.

The time has apparently already arrived when the Japanese are to demonstrate that Kuropatkin has no easy and open pathway to Port Arthur through Manchuria. If it was merely a test of possibilities, it has not proven much in the way of encouragement to the force that will necessarily be the aggressor in the future in any attempt to retake the fortress.

Kuropatkin may be merely demonstrating that if there are patriots at home who have a longing to encounter death in an absolute fashion his ranks are still capable of accepting a few recruits. The wisdom of posing as targets for the czar's Cossacks is questioned when the Japanese are just as good marksmen and apparently as fully determined to find someone to shoot.

President Roosevelt has demonstrated that he believes in party platforms and considers them created as a guide to official action. There have been presidents who would go a long way around to keep from standing on the platform of their party, or do just as little as possible to indicate that they were not antagonistic to the policy of their party, but Roosevelt has been setting the coming generations of presidents a beneficial example and the country is to receive the benefits of his policy.

Perhaps the rope and twine trust of New Jersey considered it would be just as well to anticipate governmental action and decided to cease its existence without awaiting a long fight in court and orders from federal officers. Whether the trusts are lawfully put out of the way or frightened to death makes little difference to a public that has long been victimized. The main thing is to clear the field of their influences and practices and if that can be done all but the holders of stock in the corporations will feel extremely grateful.

The government has given the beef trust to understand that the decision of the supreme court in the case is not intended for a large official joke, but that the trust, collectively and individually, will be held to the decision and that criminal proceedings will be instituted. It is one of the most important decisions in behalf of the people that has been made in many years and no one will feel a touch of pity if the entire combination is destroyed and dissipated. The packers will need to manage to look after their business interests individually or the small packers and the country butchers will be given permanent employment by the people.

The legislators of Nebraska will doubtless be influenced in dealing with the proposed county option law, by the fact that there was no liquor question before the people during the last campaign, except that offered by the prohibition party, and may be expected to act accordingly. When there is a demand for a change from the Slocumb law under which the state is at present working, it will probably be taken up by one of the leading parties during a campaign and the people will be given a chance to indicate their desires on the question. The county option bill may, like hundreds of others, have been introduced without expecting it to become a law, but whatever the intent there is a level-headed legislature at work that will deal wisely with the question.

In rendering a decision against Swift & Co., an important portion of the beef trust, the United States supreme court has confirmed the opinion of the people and of the administration that the trust is and has been violating the laws of the land in its practices, and it is to be hoped that relief from its exactions will now be realized, both by consumers of meat and those who raise cattle and hogs for the markets. There is certainly an indication on the part of the government that it is willing and ready to stand by the people as opposed to the trusts and it is to be hoped that all other trusts that have been exercising broad license for many years will be effectively curbed and every person who desires to enter the field they have occupied will be permitted to do so. The steel trust is next on the schedule and while it is not as directly connected with the affairs of the people as the beef trust, they are interested in seeing it receive the same consideration at the hands of the government and the courts.

ATCHISON GLOBE SIGHTS.

If a New Year resolution is properly cared for the first six weeks, it will last without boosting till the end of the year.

If a man has a pretty view from his door, visitors who come to loaf and visit decide that his soul is sordid because he doesn't stop work to admire it.

There was a bright side to it, which those who were shut up in Port Arthur will appreciate, now that they hear about Nan Patterson and Mrs. Chadwick.

There is this difference between men and women: A woman will side with her children against their stepfather, and a man will side with his second wife against his children.

A woman who lived in Atchison all her life until six months ago, writes that she is not homesick; that forty horses couldn't drag her back here. She ought to be ashamed of herself.

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NO ELECTION IS NOW LIKELY

The Declaration of Niedringhaus, After a Futile Thirteenth Ballot, Seems to Strengthen the Belief That no Senator Will Be Elected.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 1.—The thirteenth ballot taken today resulted in no choice for senator from this state. The vote stood: Cockrell 78, Niedringhaus 72; Kereps 12; Pettibone 2; Solon T. Gilmore, Kansas City, 1; C. A. Finkenburg, St. Louis, 1. Necessary to a choice, 81.

The declaration of Niedringhaus that under no circumstances would he consent to withdraw, even though offered an important embassy by Roosevelt, has served to strengthen the opinion that no senator will be elected at this session.

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BOODLE CASE IN ILLINOIS

ASSEMBLY APPOINTS COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE.

CHARGES BY A REPRESENTATIVE

Chicago Man Alleges That the Assembly is a Great Public Auction Where Special Privileges are Sold to the Highest Bidders.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 1.—A boodle upheaval in the legislature is likely. The assembly today appointed a committee to investigate the charge recently made in a public speech by Representative Frank D. Comerford of Chicago, when he declared that the Illinois legislature is a great public auction where special privileges are sold to the highest corporation bidder and that without respect to party affiliations, the "graffers" seem to be in the majority.

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