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Jersey may be the opposing candidate for the presidency in 1912. Should this be the case the country will be sure of a good chief executive in either alternative.

Through the generous gifts of three Chicago philanthropists, Julius Rosenwald, N. W. Harris and Cyrus McCormick, a fund of \$150,000 is assured for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building in Chicago devoted exclusively to the use of the colored men.

Contracts have been let to an English firm by the Turkish government for the construction of a huge dam which is to begin a modern system of irrigation in Mesopotamia. It calls for the reclamation of 3,000,000 acres at a total cost of \$37,000,000.

Lord Charles Beresford urges the United States to take the initiative in bringing about world peace. He believes England and the United States standing together could compel international disarmament. This sounds like having peace even if we have to fight for it.

Mr. Bryan expresses the belief that Senator Bailey should be retired from public life. Mr. Bailey thought so himself for a few minutes, then the thought of what a pitiable condition the country would be in without his guidance, made him think better of his withdrawal from the senate.

Following closely upon the advent of the wireless telegraph and the fireless cooker comes news of a flourless bread, in which the process of grinding the wheat into flour is eliminated. The new method is of Paris origin, and the machine takes the wheat as it comes from the threshing machine and transforms it into bread. What next?

The city of Prague, Bohemia, a city of about half a million inhabitants, has lost only about \$20,300 by fire annually for the past three years and it has been fifteen years since a life was lost by fire. Compared to the record of any American city of equal size this is a marvellously small loss to the fire fiend.

Canada is a large importer of eggs, by far the largest part of which come from the United States. Last year about 1,600,000 dozen crossed the border from this country to the Dominion. The reciprocity agreement would remove the duty of three cents a dozen on the 1,000,000 dozen eggs sold to the Canadians and so prove a decided benefit to American poultrymen.

No wonder the English desire international disarmament when the naval estimates for this year ask for a total expenditure of \$222,000,000 on the British fleet. Five Dreadnaughts, three protected cruisers, one unarmored cruiser, twenty destroyers, six submarines and 3,000 men more in the naval service. Such is the year's program. No wonder it appals them.

The attempt on the part of some of the senators and congressmen to associate President Taft's mobilizing of the army on the Mexican frontier with a determination to protect the property of "the special interests," will fall flat. The people of the country have not always agreed with the president but they will be quick to resent any charge against his personal high-mindedness and lofty patriotism.

California is the only state in the union where olive raising is a commercial success. Although California olive growers have about 20,000 acres of bearing trees, they consider the olive industry as yet in its early infancy, and the inducements for its more active development most flattering. Prices for olives today are higher than ever before and the per capita of consumption constantly increasing.

Mr. Carnegie's latest gift to educational advancement is a new lens, 100 inches in diameter, a lens three times more powerful than any yet made, for the telescope in the new observatory at Mount Wilson, Calif., which was established by the Carnegie Institute, and has already become world famous for its astronomical discoveries. This gift raises the total amount appropriated to him for the use of the institute to \$25,000,000.

selected with the greatest care and has been seasoning near Portland, Ore., for months.

WAR AND PEACE. In all the mystery governing the Mexican situation, concerning which our state department undoubtedly has information not accessible to the yellow editors, one fact remains clear, that the American people would be very much averse to any actual hostilities. It is a veritable tinder box of a situation. Here are hundreds of adventurous Americans committing seditious acts, against a government with which we have had long relations of friendship. As soon as they get into trouble, their friends besiege Washington to get them released at any price.

And there are the millions of American money exposed in the shape of easily wrecked property, located in turbulent and hostile cities, with Wall Street wanting to know what it pays taxes for.

An army separated from this hornet's nest by only a river is a dangerous plaything. Fortunately our president is a man who sleeps at least one night before he makes an important decision.

COMMERCIAL CLUB SECRETARY. The move of the Commercial club directors toward employing a secretary who shall devote his entire time to the upbuilding of Norfolk, is a move in the right direction and will unquestionably meet with the moral and financial support of Norfolk business men and citizens.

A city that spends some \$40,000 per year by way of maintenance, is a pretty good sized business proposition. No private business enterprise of such calibre would feel that it could get along without systematic effort to grow.

Cities, like business enterprises, will attain a certain growth without special effort; but beyond a certain point, systematic, up-to-date, business methods must be exerted if expansion is to come.

Norfolk offers one of the choicest locations on the map for many sorts of enterprises. It is a city of homes. Many enterprises might be induced to locate here if sufficient effort were made to get in touch with the proper parties and point out to them Norfolk's advantages. But it must be specialized effort.

Many cities are spending thousands of dollars nowadays to advertise, and are getting results. Des Moines is an example. But first of all must come a man whose business it is to take care of prospective newcomers. The game is worth the cost of an experiment, at least.

AMERICANS IN TROUBLE. Edwin Blatt of Pittsburgh and Lawrence Converse of Los Angeles have become involved in a little scrape down in Mexico. Our government asks for their release, saying they were taken on our territory. These are but two of many cases where Americans are charged with too great interest in Mexican politics. Some of them will not be able to put up the defense that will probably set these two men free.

To our citizens, most of them young and adventurous, who go to southern countries for business and speculation, the revolutions seem about as serious as a boy's game of leap frog. As the turn of the game may mean fortune or bankruptcy for them, they naturally take a hand themselves.

As shown in Richard Harding Davis' stories, many South American enterprises have their departments for the promotion of revolutions. Hundreds of Americans have lined up with the Mexican insurgents in the present trouble, often commanding armed bands.

But the play shifts rapidly from farce to tragedy, from detail of big business to the secret tangles of diplomacy, when one gets caught.

The fact that a Central American republic may look about as serious as a theatrical king with pasteboard crown and glass jewels, is one that our state department can take no cognizance of. It must go through all the formal motions required by the most august sovereign of Europe. Red tape must be even more carefully unrolled, else sensitive diplomatic puppets of the tropics will imagine slights that would not be dreamed of in Europe.

Our citizens who meddle in tropical politics can therefore expect no more protection than if they played the game of anarchy in a European capital. Wherefore they should spend nine hours a day in the office, play bridge while evenings in the boarding house parlor, sleep nightly in their own little beds, pass out the cigars equally to all factions. Thus they will prosper under any regime.

THE GOVERNMENT AND CORPORATIONS. The supreme court decision sustaining the corporation tax law permits the government to tighten its grip on those slippery octopuses which have so many times wriggled out of the hands of the law. The \$27,650,000 revenue so far collected is clean money. Its first result is not to adulterate the poor man's sugar or weaken his coffee, but it draws first and foremost upon the golden coffers of wealth.

Much has been said of the unfair treatment given the smaller corpora-

tions, by making public their accounts to the possible inspection of competitors. But small corporations that feel this handicap, have the alternative of returning to the partnership, under which their competitors are working.

Small corporations, made up of a few individuals, have in many cases no doubt so handled their returns that they are paying but a trifling tax. Such concerns, with a net income of but \$236,000,000, report a total capital of \$6,988,000,000. That is, they claim to be paying less than 4 percent.

The majority of these returns may be fair enough, as a small group of them probably increase their salary charge and diminish their dividend returns, a mere matter of book-keeping. Even at that the salaries paid may not be large.

Such juggling of figures would be stopped in the bigger corporations by a growing sentiment against fancy salaries. The fact that the big financial corporations showed a net income of \$395,000,000 on a capital of \$2,723,000,000, or over 14 percent, suggests that this is as fair a tax as the national government ever devised.

The government has spent millions in measuring the height of every little hill and the depth of every stream, while vast industrial forces have been allowed to burn, ravish and pillage at will. The time has come when they must walk up to the office regularly and smilingly and give account of themselves like the railroads.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET. At no time in its history has the republican party ever presented a better all-round ticket than the one which asks the support of city voters at the coming municipal election. It is a ticket that deserves and no doubt will receive the hearty endorsement of all republicans and it is one that can be consistently supported by that great number of democrats who are disgusted with the arbitrary methods of the present administration. If the men who have been put forward by the republicans to conduct the city business shall be elected, no one will need be ashamed of them. These men understand that they are being placed in positions of trust to look after the interests of the city and without favor or partisanship, and that the wants of one part of the city will receive the same consideration as another, without discrimination because of personal friendships or dislikes, every issue being treated from a just standpoint upon its merits alone. In the new position of importance which Norfolk is fast assuming in the great territory of which it is the natural center, Norfolk needs an administration that is broad enough to see the merits of every good proposition that is offered for the city's benefit, and such is the character of the candidates on the republican ticket. Under the guidance of such officers, local matters will not be looked at through the eyes of prejudice but from the broad standpoint of whether a proposed measure is for the real good of the city, and it will be treated accordingly.

E. E. Coleman, republican nominee for mayor, is no novice in municipal affairs, having served the Second ward for a number of years in the capacity of councilman, and having done it well. As a business man, he has the interests of the city at heart, and he is conservative enough to guard well those interests.

Ed. Harter for city clerk, W. J. Stafford for city treasurer, A. H. Viole for member of the school board, and C. F. Elseley for police judge, all recommended, have their excellent records to speak for them in this campaign, and that they will be re-elected goes without saying.

Frank Carrick for water commissioner, is a young man of ability and a competent mechanic, and if elected he will render good service to the city.

The councilman candidates offered by the republicans are every one of them deserving of election, and if they succeed at the polls the different parts of the city which they severally represent will be well taken care of. Ernest Raasch from the First ward, J. C. Larkin from the Second ward, A. E. Amerine from the Third ward and R. J. Eccles from the Fourth ward, are the candidates, and they are every one of them deserving of the votes of those who want to see good men on the council.

ARBITRATION. Mr. Taft's proposed arbitration treaty with Great Britain is being very favorably received. Little trouble will be found in getting such an agreement by the English parliament. The principal difficulty will be the jealousy of our senate for its old traditions as maker of war and peace. It is singular that international relations continue in a state of barbarism which men in their individual relations have abandoned. The great difficulty in arbitration is to get nations to submit what they call questions of honor and questions affecting territorial boundaries. Yet in parallel cases in men's personal relations, these differences no longer lead to physical force.

Two generations ago, it was felt in many communities that a man could not preserve his honor unless he was willing to fight a deadly duel. Today, men find no difficulty in protecting their honor in other ways. The truth

comes out far more clearly through actions at law, discussion in newspapers, and personal statements to friends, than it ever was made clear through swords and pistols.

In the same way, the findings of an arbitral court would establish the reputation of an honorable people better than guns and warships.

It is a long time since men in their individual relations have been fools enough to resort to fighting to settle the boundaries between land. They know that it is far cheaper to put such questions up to the courts, than an unjust verdict costs less than a broken head. In the same way the nations could save billions by going to law about such international differences.

Big armies and navies with attendant pensions are the greatest single cause of high cost of living. The human effort that ought to go into the production of things to eat and wear, is put into the support of an idle soldiery and the crushing burden of modern munitions of war.

AROUND TOWN. The family name is preserved. He'll soon be old enough to caddy. He'll have a right to wear the green for all there is in it, on every St. Patrick's morning.

Who cares who's elected to what? Has the grand jury come to your case yet? Don't act nervous. Maybe they'll pass you.

Some parents have the nerve. It's bad enough to feel the force of father's palm when you're 7 years old, but it adds to the sting when, in later years, father declares the last time he spanked you was when your little brother was three days old, and mother upholds him in the claim. Just as if the victim of later engagements couldn't remember more distinctly than the assailant. It does help a little when the mother admits she's mad yet about that affair when brother was three days old, but that doesn't altogether make up for such faulty memories.

Spring is officially announced. Unofficially, it's been noised around for some time. It's about time to rake the yard and sprinkle a little grass seed. But don't get rash and change 'em. Did Leo get you? Keep your hand on your pocketbook. It's a wicked world. Been indicted?

You might as well forget that money that Leo touched you for. We didn't sleep any last night. No, you guessed wrong. Merely worrying lest the Northwestern might take up Oakland's offer on that new eating house building.

We hope those two women, who are quarreling about which one climbed highest, won't make such spectacles of themselves as Cook and Peary did of themselves. Be still, fluttering cardiac pumping station. Next week the teachers.

ATCHISON GLOBE SIGHTS. Every man dreads ridicule. One fisherman won't believe another one. A last year's straw hat never gets over it. Don't try to do so much you do it all wrong. Don't talk about trying to do right, but do right. A boy's idea of a good time is to eat too much. A bad day for you is a good day for the other fellow. When an engaged couple argue they call it a discussion. Awkward girls attract more attention that awkward boys. When it comes to dividing the blame, we are all socialists. There isn't much hope for the drunkard who is proud of it. Women seem to fuss with other women just for the excitement. Did you ever loaf around home all day without eating too much? So many men can get enthusiastic about everything but their work. A good many men study the game law so as to know when to break it. It is as impossible for some men to go slow as it is for others to hurry. When a bad man turns good suddenly it is a sure sign he is frightened. "I like some men drunk better than some other men sober."—Fred Barrett.

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