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It is a secret no longer, W. J. Bryan is anxious to run for president the third time. And it will again be recorded, "three times and out."

If the old saying, better luck in odd numbers is true, the coming year of 1907 will have to hustle to come up to the past year of 1906, for 1906 was certainly a great year of prosperity, peace and great advancement for our entire country.

Let us forget, everybody, young and old, come home for Christmas to be with their respective families and home folks, except our Mr. Babcock, who remained away at his post of duty to cinch the Columbus power canal. All honor to Brother Babcock.

All those wishing fit positions, such as president or treasurer of the various railroad companies, also passes when the government shall own all the railroads, had better file their applications with either Mike Harrington or Edgar Howard, for they are the president and secretary of the government ownership league. Hitchcock of the World-Herald will then have to walk or pay his fare, for he is bucking government ownership of railroads.

Once more the Omaha papers report that the Columbus power canal has been financed and work will begin in the spring. There are a good many doubting Thomases here, but we are among those who believe the power canal is bound to come. We have great faith in the future of Columbus. Most of our people do not realize what it would mean to Columbus to have the millions spent right here for labor in constructing the canal, even if most of the power raised from this canal was transferred to Omaha and other points.

If Joe Bailey was a republican and a United States senator from a northern state, instead of being a democrat and a senator from the state of Texas, there would be no question as to his re-election. He would simply be down and out—yes, more than that. Public sentiment would be such that he would not dare to be a candidate for re-election, and if he was not confined in some prison, he would surely be on the road to it. Compared to Senator Bailey's offense, Senator Burton of the state of Kansas committed the smallest act of petit larceny. In the south a man is all right if he is a democrat, and he is a democrat if he is right on the "nigger" question. He can be a free-trader, a protectionist, a free silver man, a Standard Oil man, or anything else, if he is only a democrat.

This same spirit has been in evidence in Platte county, to the detriment of our community. Some years ago the republicans of this district were fortunate enough to have on their ticket as a candidate for state senator a man who was not only one of our earliest settlers, but he was also a man of the highest integrity, thoroughly qualified for the position, respected and honored by all who knew him, and he was known all over the state. Had he been elected he would have made a most useful, conscientious and leading member of our state senate. Opposed to him on the democratic ticket was a man, a comparative stranger in this community. He did not have a dollar's worth of property in this county, he had no ability for the office, not a particle of experience, but he was elected and by a majority of over seven hundred votes, just because he was on the democratic ticket. He went to Lincoln and seemed to forget that he was representing this district. He did not even return at the close of the session, but he was on the democratic ticket, and that in Platte and Colfax county is enough to elect anyone.

Department of Agriculture bulletin indicate that under the initial regulations manufacture of denatured alcohol by individual farmers will not be practical, at least as a general practice. The regulations have, of course, been drawn with chief attention to prevention of frauds on the revenue of which much has been made in discussion of tax-free alcohol for the arts

and which naturally would be prominent in the minds of the revenue authorities in early experience under the law. How far manufacture can be localized, even if not yet practical at small farm sills, can only be determined experimentally, but particular pains have been taken so to draft the rules as, while protecting revenue, to favor distilleries at the smaller towns, near the source of raw materials. But manufacture of this as of other articles, is likely to be determined by general industrial forces. The chief public interest in which farmers, both as consumers of denatured alcohol and as producers of the raw materials for it especially share, is that this new substitute for agents of light, heat and power already monopolized, shall not itself fall under control of monopolizing combinations and trusts. Such a result, if it should happen, would infallibly and swiftly cause the same irresistible demand for relaxed revenue regulations as has just caused tax exemption of denatured alcohol. And in any event the government upon its own motion may be expected to modify them as rapidly as practical experience in administering the system shows it to be safe from the revenue point of view.—Omaha Bee.

**Supervisors' Proceedings.**

Columbus, Nebraska, Dec. 17, 1906.  
The Board of Supervisors of Platte county, Nebraska, met in adjourned session at 2 o'clock p. m., Hon. John Swanson chairman and John Graf, clerk.  
Roll called and following members present: Suprs. Clothier, Goetz, Held, Newman, Priest, Behre and chairman Swanson.  
The proceedings of the previous meeting of the board were now read and approved.  
The petition of Nels M. Lundberg and others for the location of a public road 40 feet in width, commencing at the southeast corner of section 7, town 20, range 1 west, and running thence due north on section line one mile, was presented and read and on motion referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
The petition of Julius Heibel and others for the location of a public road 40 feet in width, commencing at the southwest corner of section 23, town 18, range 1 east, and running thence due north on section line one mile, was presented and read and on motion referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
The petition of George Hengeler for the reconstruction of the section line and relocation of part of the "School Sect on Road" in Bismark township, was presented and read and on motion referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
Attorney C. J. Garlow now addressed the board on behalf of George Hengeler, requesting that an opportunity be given to the remonstrator to present evidence for showing that all or part of said road is not a public necessity, that it will greatly injure and damage the farm of the remonstrator, and that the board of supervisors shall fix a time for the hearing of testimony in regard to the matter.  
On motion the request was granted and the time for hearing testimony fixed to be at 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.  
The communication of the town board of Columbus township, whereby the board of supervisors are requested to take action on cause to have the bridge which spans the irrigation ditch in said township be made permanently passable as their condition has become almost intolerable, was presented and read and on motion referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
The following was presented:  
To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen: As shown by the attached county treasurer's report, I have paid the taxes for the year 1906 on lot 5, block 1, Robinson addition to Humphrey under protest for the reason that all or part of said road is not a public necessity, and it will greatly injure and damage the farm of the remonstrator, and that the board of supervisors shall fix a time for the hearing of testimony in regard to the matter.  
H. J. Herbes.

On motion same was referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
An itemized statement of the Auditor of Pub. Inv. Accounts showing the amount of taxes due the State from Platte county since the year 1870, was presented and read and on motion same was ordered placed on file for future action by the board.  
The report of County Treasurer, D. A. Becher, of the uncollected personal taxes for the year 1906, showing in detail the name of each person charged with personal property tax, which he and his deputies have been unable to collect by reason of the removal or insolvency of the person charged with such tax, was presented and read and on motion ordered placed on file for future reference.  
All bills and official bonds on file with the clerk were on motion referred to appropriate committees.  
On motion board of supervi on now adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Columbus, Neb., Dec. 18, 1906.  
The board of supervisors pursuant to adjournment met at 9 o'clock p. m.  
Hon. John Swanson, chairman and John Graf, clerk, and all members present.  
The petition of Joseph I. Saylor and others for the location of a public road 10 feet wide commencing at the northeast corner of section 24, town 19, range 3 west and running thence west on section line one mile, was presented and read and on motion was referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
The following was presented:  
To the Hon. board of supervisors: Gentlemen, we the undersigned officers of the Farmers' Institute of Humphrey, Neb., respectfully petition you a two days institute to appropriate the sum of \$25 to assist in defraying the expenses of a two days institute to be held in Humphrey on January 9 and 10, 1907. We have an active organization and according to a bill passed by the legislature a few years ago, we are entitled to expense money from the county.  
Respectfully submitted,  
L. M. Hensley, President  
F. J. Pratt, Secy-Treas

On motion the same was referred to the committee on accounts and expenditures.  
The time fixed by the board of supervisors to hear testimony relative to the remonstrance filed against the alteration of part of the school section road in Bismark township having arrived, Geo Hengeler together with his counsel C. J. Garlow, appeared now before the board and upon being first duly sworn by Chairman Swanson, stated that the alteration of said road as petitioned for would be a great damage to his land and that in his opinion the alteration is not necessary for the reason that the construction of a bridge at the old location would not be as expensive as it would be the new location.  
Anton Hengeler also testified as to the damage which would result to the lands of his father by the alteration of the road, at the conclusion of which the matter was taken under advisement by the board.  
On motion the board of supervisors now adjourned for committee work until 1 o'clock p. m.  
Pursuant to adjournment the board reconvened at 2 o'clock with all members present.

The following bills on recommendation of the committees were on motion allowed by the board and the clerk directed to issue warrants in payment of same on county road fund:  
Steve Javorki, petit juror dist court..... \$20.00  
Steve Hagan same..... 20.00  
Merve Klston same..... 20.00  
S F Mills same..... 20.00  
R P Brigham same..... 20.00  
Wm Lausche same..... 20.00  
Henry same same..... 20.00  
Ed Newman same..... 20.00  
J L Sharras same..... 20.00  
Fred Davis same..... 20.00  
Wm Do'sa same..... 20.00  
Otto Kallweit same..... 20.00  
Bank Ferrick same..... 20.00  
Geo Taden same state vs Wm Martin..... 20.00  
Walter Heiseck same..... 20.00  
Henry Dress same..... 20.00  
Paul Gerlach same..... 20.00  
M J Clark same..... 20.00  
Daniel Hollora same..... 20.00  
Joseph Apen same..... 20.00  
A G Bostwick same..... 20.00  
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Fred Luckey same..... 20.00  
Robert Lewis same..... 20.00  
John W Byrnes same..... 20.00  
John E Frank bailiff..... 20.00  
Ed Basher same..... 20.00  
C M Greenther, C D Couda Bon..... 20.00  
C J Carrig, sheriff, serv jur Nov term D C..... 20.00  
attending dis. court..... 20.00  
jailor fees..... 20.00  
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Chas Kelley register..... 20.00  
John Schmoeker same..... 20.00  
C E Wagner same..... 20.00  
R P Frank same..... 20.00  
John E Frank same..... 20.00  
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Geo H Bader same..... 20.00  
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Carl Holle setting stove etc at court house..... 20.00  
C J Carrig janitor, salary 2d half 1906..... 20.00  
German National bank rent Co Judge..... 20.00  
John A Weich raising election returns..... 20.00  
Geo Friedrich same..... 20.00  
John Graf clerk same..... 20.00  
L H Levy co sup't salary 4th qr 1906..... 20.00  
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W R Cornelius same co physician..... 20.00  
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The claim of L. R. Latham 288 cash advanced for office rent as county attorney from Jan 1, 1906 to Jan 1, 1907 was on recommendation of the committee on supplies and public property on motion referred to the board.

The following official bonds on recommendation of the judiciary committee were on motion approved:  
County Attorney:  
Township Treasurers:  
Joseph H Bedford—Columbus township.  
Anton Jaworska—Burrows.  
Ferdinand Lucht—Granville.  
Joseph Luchins—Humphrey.  
John Hollnisch—Grand Prairie.  
H W Bender—Sherman.  
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Fred Soper—St Bernard.  
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Road Overseers:  
Herman Latzka—Woodville.  
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C. H. Greenther,  
Clerk District Court.

On motion same was referred to the committee on supplies and public property.  
The petition of B. Koal and others for the opening for public travel of a strip of land commencing at the northwest corner of lot one in Gerard's first sub-division of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 24, town 18, range 3 west, and running thence south parallel with the west line of said lot one, 158 feet to intersect with a right of way running east and west, thence west 10 feet and thence north to place of beginning, was presented and read and on motion referred to the committee on roads and bridges.  
The bill of the Standard Bridge Company, \$215.66, for bridges constructed in St. Bernard township, was on recommendation of the committee on roads and bridges allowed in the sum of \$200.00 and the clerk directed to issue warrant for said amount on the county bridge fund on account of Walker township, the balance of the bill, \$15.66 to be allowed when the caps in certain bridges are changed and 8x10 inch timber be put in place of box caps.  
The bill of the Standard Bridge Company, \$75.72, for bridges constructed in Walker township, was on recommendation of the committee on roads and bridges allowed in the sum of \$75.72, and the clerk directed to issue warrant for said amount on the county bridge fund on account of Walker township, the balance of the bill, \$0.00 to be allowed when the caps in certain bridges are changed and 8x10 inch timber be put in place of box caps.  
The following bills of the Standard Bridge Company, on recommendation of the committee on roads and bridges were on motion allowed by the board in full and the clerk directed to issue warrants in payment of same on the county bridge fund:  
Standard Bridge Company accout St. Bernard township..... \$ 200.00  
Bernard township..... \$ 75.72  
Same account Granville twp..... \$ 200.00  
Same account Walker twp..... \$ 75.72  
Same account Woodville twp..... \$ 200.00  
Same account Bismark twp..... \$ 75.72  
Total..... \$ 651.44  
On motion the board of supervisors now adjourned for committee work until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.  
Columbus, Nebraska, Dec. 19, 1906.  
The board of supervisors pursuant to adjournment met at 9 o'clock a. m., Hon. John Swanson,

Always the Same  
**Calumet Baking Powder**  
Baking Powder  
Always the Same

chairman and John Graf clerk.  
Roll called and following members present: Suprs. Clothier, Goetz, Held, Newman, Priest, Behre and chairman Swanson.  
On motion the board now adjourned for committee work and reconvened at 2 o'clock p. m., with in payment of same on county road fund:  
The survey, plat and field notes of county surveyor Becher, relative to change in the "Dickerson Road" on the east line of the S. W. 1/4 of the S. W. 1/4 of section 18, town 18, range 1 west, was now presented and approved by the board.  
The following official bonds were on motion approved by the board: Max Gotting, clerk, Shell Creek township; John Elmer, road overseer, Dist. No. 18, Lost Creek township; Charles Bender, road overseer, Dist. No. 7, St. Bernard township.  
The following bills on recommendation of the committee on poor farm were on motion allowed by the board and the clerk directed to issue warrants in payment of same on county road fund:  
Becher, Hochensolfer & Chambers fire insurance poor farm buildings..... \$ 90.00  
J E Kaufman, lumber for poor farm..... 111.28  
Karl Nichols Co, brick for poor farm..... 9.10  
Carl Roth, brick work at poor farm..... 7.50  
Alfred Jost, carpenter work at poor farm..... 1.75  
Wm Newman, Jr, same..... 2.25  
Geo A Hoagland, lumber for poor farm..... 12.45  
H P H Oehlrich, nails etc for poor farm..... 3.75  
J H Galley, mds for poor..... 31.21  
M A Twardowski, same..... 31.00  
Peter Xosowski, same..... 30.00  
Max Bruckner, same..... 35.00  
Smith Mercantile Co, same..... 3.00  
Smith Mercantile Co, same..... 35.00  
Henry Ratzig & Co, same..... 25.75  
Edwards & Bradford coal for poor..... 3.50  
C. A. Spioin, same..... 12.50  
Walrus & Sherwood Co, same..... 4.00  
John F Zolig, care of Caroline Neumann..... 35.00  
Frank & Sherwood the co, act same..... 22.00  
J L Brunk, care of poor farm..... 2.50  
Joseph Schacher, overseer, cash advanced..... 45.70  
D A Becher, Co Treasurer, same..... 1.47  
M E Clother, supervisor, same..... 5.00  
The following bills were recommended by the committee on poor farm were deferred for further consideration:  
Dr A F Condon port serv for Mrs Savige-2150.00  
Dr A Canley same..... 150.00  
Dr G A McMillan same for Jas Tomony..... 25.00  
John Baker care of Jas Tomony..... 6.75  
The following bills on recommendations of the committee on roads and bridges were on motion allowed:  
Sullivan and Dress account Bismark twp..... \$ 1.00  
M L Krumann act Bismark twp..... 32.50  
D V Macken act Bismark twp..... 11.50  
Otto Ernst act City of Columbus..... 15.00  
Louis Held act Columbus twp..... 20.00  
Wm Niessel Monroe..... 10.50  
Frank & Sherwood the co, act same..... 28.50  
Jos Niensner act Grand Prairie twp..... 22.00  
W L Lausche same..... 21.00  
Edwards and Bradford lbr co, same..... 49.50  
Peter Luchins same..... 9.00  
Otto Kallweit same..... 4.50  
Wm Hollnisch same..... 3.00  
Fred Schultze same..... 12.00  
William Groteschluchen same..... 4.00  
Heinrich Mayer same..... 17.25  
Adolph Heilbuch same..... 24.00  
Jos S Wenhoff..... 70.50  
Diedrich Hollman act Creston twp..... 100.00  
Henry Neuseger act Humphrey twp..... 25.00  
Abram Palmater same..... 45.00  
Ignatz Werner same..... 45.00  
John W Bender same..... 12.00  
Geo A Hoagland act Butler twp..... 3.45  
Frank Sokol same..... 48.50  
John Swanson act Woodville twp..... 1.50  
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**PEOPLE OF THE STAGE.**  
Theatrical Life Has Few Joys and Much Bitterness.  
Booth, to whom Henry E. Abbey would cheerfully have paid \$1,000 a night for 150 consecutive nights, was one of the most unhappy men on the face of God's earth. He had buried two wives, been through the mortification of bankruptcy and so far as worldly comforts of a settled home go, had yet to make the one and secure the other. This being the case, what do you suppose is the fate of minor people? The fact is that they work hard, are underpaid, never play the parts they prefer, pay much, by far the greater portion of their salaries, for stage costumes, invariably have a gang of hangers on who eat the bread they earn, are out of engagements most of the time and ninety times out of a hundred die so poor that they are buried at the expense of their fellows. In the first place, it is extremely difficult for them to obtain a position, and, having a position, how few its advantages. They have to rehearse at inconvenient times; they go out in all kinds of weather regardless of their health or comfort or home desires; they dress in outlandish places, either wet, damp and chilly or overheated. They are at the capricious mercy of speculative managers, and having found by experience that there is very little sympathy for them, either before or behind the footlights, they wrap themselves in a garment of mental indifference to appearances, which is utterly misunderstood by a cynical and suspicious world.  
I know of a girl who was called to a Sunday night rehearsal. Her father was very ill, but the rental of their rooms, the fees for the doctor and money for the drugs depended upon her attending to her business. It was imperative that she should be in the theater at 7:30 o'clock. Having arranged the room as women only can, having placed upon the table by the bedside of her father his medicine, she kissed him good-by and with a loving touch, promised to be back as early as possible.  
You know what Sunday night rehearsals mean. They mean 1, 2, 3, 4 o'clock the next day. That is what this one meant. The girl hastened home. The candle light had gone, the cold gray of the early morning was in the room, the father was dead upon the bed—Boston Globe.

**POINTED PARAGRAPHS.**  
Nine-tenths of the failures intend to do well.  
If all castles were real, some people wouldn't be satisfied.  
We are always meeting people who recall incidents that we had hoped they had forgotten.  
When people do not enjoy doing the

things we do, we are apt to think they do not have a good time.  
Your neighbor is "funny." If you throw his dog a bone, he suspects you of trying either to poison it or to win its affection from him.  
It is interesting for a man to look through his old effects if for no other reason than he will see that he is not as big a fool as he used to be.  
You may have such a fierce admiration for the under dog as to be unfair to the upper dog. The upper dog is often compelled to fight to get his rights.—Atchison Globe.

**Froude's "Inaccuracy."**  
What competent critic today doubts the general trustworthiness of Froude's "History of England," in writing which he was obliged to transcribe from Spanish masses of papers which even a Spaniard would have read with difficulty? Yet what sweeping charges of inaccuracy were long made against him? Writing in 1870 to a friend, the historian says: "I acknowledge to five real mistakes in the whole book—two volumes—about twenty trifling slips, equivalent to 'is' not dotted and 'it' not crossed, and that is all that the utmost malignity has discovered. Every one of these rascals has made a dozen blunders of his own while detecting one of mine."—Success Magazine.

**Old Times in New York.**  
In 1780 New York city maintained an official who would whip a servant, either free or slave, for the master, charging a shilling for the job. Petty thieves were branded for life with a "T" on the cheek. Mrs. Johanna Young and another woman convicted of grand larceny were given all over the city in an open cart, then stripped to the waist and given thirty-nine lashes apiece in public and then banished. "Whereupon," says the record, "they went to Philadelphia."

**A Singer's Lament.**  
The singer at the end of the practice aria panted heavily.  
"I sang 126 notes that time," he said, "without once taking breath."  
"Indeed, that must be a record."  
"No. The record is held by Courtice Pounds. Pounds sang 316 notes without respiration in 1808. The record previous to that was held by Farinelli, with 300 notes. Norman Salmond has sung 287 notes in this way."  
"It is wonderful what lungs trained singers have. The average man could hardly sing fifty notes without breathing, whereas to the singer 200 would be nothing."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

**Home Means Home.**  
It is said that the name of Nome was the result of an error made by some Englishman in writing a letter. He evidently intended to write the word "home," but the makers of the maps read it Nome, and thus the name Nome belongs to history and the great district of Alaska. Some authorities claim that the word Nome is a corruption of the Indian phrase or word Knoma, meaning something like "I know it."—National Magazine.

**Happiness.**  
If you cannot be happy in one way, be in another, and this facility of disposition wants but little aid from philosophy, for health and good humor are almost the whole affair. Many run about after felicity, like an absent-minded man hunting for his hat while it is in his hand or on his head.

**Bismarck's Resentment.**  
The Hamburger Nachrichten contributes the following to the stories related to the relations between Emperor William II and Bismarck. "If the Kaiser wished to ride alone," said Bismarck, "I could have found no objection. That he drove me away, though, wounded me. If he wanted to get rid of me he should have told me so frankly, and I would have taken six months' vacation. If things got along without me I would have remained away. Otherwise I should have returned. But this! I was nearly thrown out of my house in the Wilhelmstrasse. I had to pack my belongings in haste, for Capri was waiting at the door."  
Walter Pater's Way.

I remember telling Walter Pater about "The Story of an African Farm" and the wonderful human quality of it. He said, repeating his favorite formula, "No doubt you are right, but I do not suppose I shall ever read it." And he explained to me that he was always writing something and that while he was writing he did not allow himself to read anything which might possibly affect him too strongly by bringing a new current of emotion to bear upon him.—A. Symons in Monthly Review.

**After Dark.**  
Mrs. Gayboy (severely)—What time did you get home last night? Gayboy (cautiously)—Oh, a little after dark.  
Mrs. Gayboy—After dark? Why, it was daylight when you came in! Gayboy—Well, isn't that after dark?

**The Letter A.**  
The letter A is in Hebrew called aleph, an ox, and the Phoenician character which represents this sound was originally a picture of an ox head; hence the name. The right hand stroke of the A represents the top of the head, the other down stroke the left side, and a line, since fallen out of use, represented the right side of the head, while in very old Phoenician manuscripts two dots above for eyes and two below for nostrils rendered the resemblance complete.

**Bachelor Insurance.**  
"Aren't men the limit?" said young Mrs. Wheel. "When I told my brother this morning that baby had just cut a tooth, he asked me savagely why I had allowed it to play with knives."  
"And my bachelor uncle," said Mrs. Whoo, "when he heard that my baby had begun teething, wanted to know if it would begin hawing soon."—New York Press.

**Old Bookmarks.**  
A Newark librarian has kept a record of old bookmarks found in returned books. The record includes an insurance policy, a two dollar bill, a pair of spectacles, love letters, a will, a mortgage, photographs, a fishing certificate, a promissory note, dress buttons and a hare's foot.

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