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VICE AND PROSPERITY.

The Mediator is an Omaha publication. It is pronounced in its opposition to the Albert law. In its last issue it devotes most of its first page to a denunciation of the law...

When, however, the situation is viewed in a calm, business-like manner, it is comparatively easy to appreciate the commercial dangers which lurk in the enforcement of such a measure.

The exodus of the residents of the tenderloin district has had its effect on the rentable autos. The auto men are the most worried people in the city just now as half their revenue came after dark through the tenderloin district.

The exodus will close up thousands of dollars worth of property which cannot be used. Butchers, grocers, bakers and the whole list of beneficiaries in the list of municipal economies must suffer and lose money because some ass up in the country was determined to do the legislating for the cities instead of raking up the rocks and manure in his own back yard.

There you have it. Money is necessary to civilization; prostitution makes more money for the business men; therefore, prostitution is a good thing, and any law that drives prostitutes from the state is a blow at civilization.

We do not know how far the Mediator represents the sentiments of the people of Omaha, but the friends of the business men of Omaha all over the state will hope that they do not share the belief that the trade of the bawds and pimps of the tenderloin and a continuation of the white slave traffic are essential to their prosperity.

Again the Mediator, referring to this law, says: It is another measure showing the utter idleness of letting a long-whiskered farmer out in the state legislature for a city of whose needs he has absolutely no knowledge.

Is this really the metropolitan idea of outside-Omaha members of the legislature? Does any business man or politician hope to strengthen Omaha's influence by the use of such epithets? As a matter of fact this law had the support of every member of the Douglas county legislature.

McCUMBER'S FALSE LOGIC.

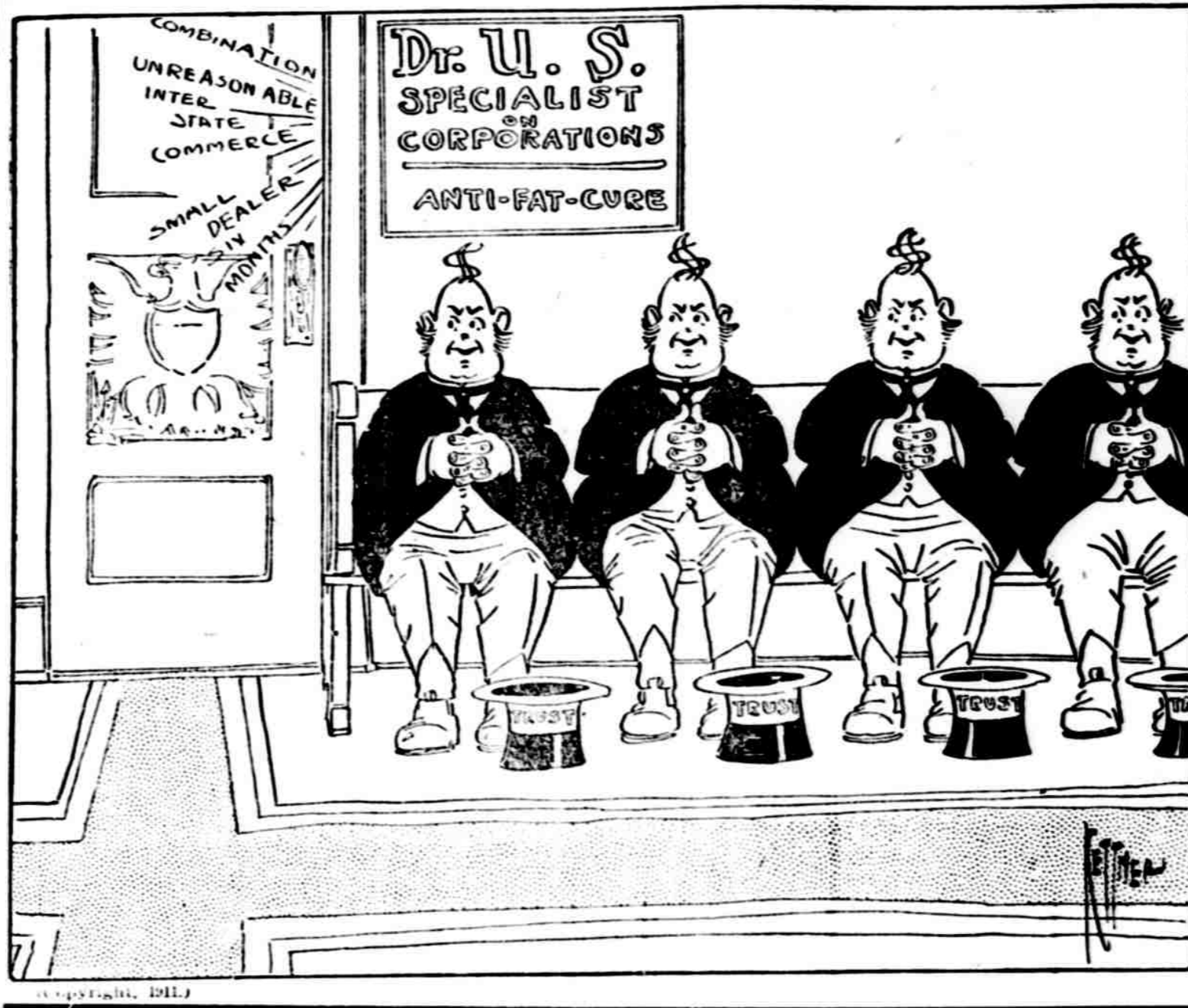
It seems that no matter what a man wants to find out he will search out a way to make his reasoning appear logical. The logic of the men who are opposed to the essence of popular government, as exemplified in the resolution providing for a constitutional amendment to grant the people the right of electing their United States senators seems to be badly formed.

It seems that the fellows who are the most interested now, as previously, whenever this question was brought up are the senators who shake in their shoes whenever the amendment is mentioned, because of the fear that they may become divorced from their perquisite and compelled to earn their living in some way that would require an expenditure of their own energy.

It is true that the popular election of senators is opposed by many able men; but at the same time, their very distrust of the popular will cannot but create a mutual feeling of distrust toward them.

For the thirty-fourth time the people of Columbus bid the teachers welcome to hold their institute in our city.

NEXT!



CARRIE NATION.

A woman possessing a remarkable record of activity and achievement passed last Friday, when Mrs. Carrie Nation, the Kansas saloon smasher, died at a sanitarium at Leavenworth.

After she had attained considerable notoriety as a smasher of illegal joints in various cities in her own state, she turned her attention to the legalized saloon in other states.

Yet, with all her lawlessness, Mrs. Nation had many good qualities. She started in her career of hacking and chopping and smashing, through seeing the laws of her state ruthlessly trampled under foot, while the officers charged with the enforcement of these laws either could not or would not do their duty.

"GO TO BAXTER."

Down at Hastings, where Dr. Baxter is superintendent of the state hospital, there is a merchant who received this advice from the state board of public lands and buildings when he presented a bill of \$118 for meat furnished and which had not been ordered by the board.

The Lincoln Journal states that he has bought goods not specified in the contracts and without a permit from the board, including fancy dishes for the officers' tables, and that the state has told the merchants when they presented their bills to "go to Baxter."

The board makes the contracts for furnishing everything needed for these institutions and specifies just what is to be furnished in these contracts. Since the superintendent has seen fit to buy things not so specified, as appears from the reports, and without being absolute necessities and where no emergency exists, the board is perfectly right in its admonition to "go to Baxter."

Now that Mayor Held's term as county treasurer will expire next winter, and he is not eligible to re-election, there are two more entries from the city administration who want to get on the democratic ticket.

The republican state central committee held a meeting at Lincoln last week and issued a call for the republican state convention which will be held at Lincoln on Tuesday, July 25.

The Tribune-Journal regrets exceedingly the visit of the fire fiend to the office of our brothers of the Telegram last Saturday night. The persistent optimism of Judge Howard was perhaps never better shown than by his appreciative remarks to the firemen on their efforts, and his proverb, used in all calamities that "It might have been worse."

George Washington Emery Dorsey, formerly a member of Congress from this district, died at his home in Salt Lake City, Utah, after a long illness.

IN TIMES GONE BY

Interesting Happenings of Many Years Ago, Taken From the Files of This Paper.

Forty Years Ago.

The constitutional convention was called to meet at Lincoln. Hon. C. A. Spolce and Hon. H. J. Hudson were the representatives from Platte county.

A terrific hail storm passed over the Shell Creek valley, destroying the growing grain and shattering many buildings in its path.

Thirty Years Ago.

The Omaha Republican paid a very pretty compliment to the Columbus Maennerchor Society, saying that while they were small in numbers, they were great in musical ability.

A great celebration was held in Columbus to celebrate the opening of the O. N. & B. H. railroad. Among the speakers was John M. Thurston, afterward United States senator.

A very destructive storm struck the vicinity of Humphrey, damaging both growing crops and buildings.

Twenty Years Ago.

Mrs. Hattie Smith, a sister of Mrs. E. A. Gerrard, died.

Phillip Vetter, of Humphrey, was killed.

Ten Years Ago.

The teachers' institute was in session at the high school, under the management of Superintendent Leavy.

Five prisoners broke out of the county jail.

Five Years Ago.

The various fraternal orders in the city observed memorial day in honor of their dead.

Mrs. C. F. Elias and daughter, Miss Gertrude, left for a trip to Europe.



More About the Interurban.

The Leigh World last week had good news for its readers who are interested in the Interurban road from Omaha to Norfolk and Sioux City.

"The best news that we can give our readers this week is that the Nebraska Transportation company which proposes building an electric road from Omaha to Norfolk and Sioux City has agreed to double the price of the proposed route of the line was brought about a few days ago when our merchant met with C. W. Baker, the head of the Baker Construction company, and also in charge of the surveying crew, and showed him that it would be to their advantage to run the line through this place.

"The road as now proposed will run from Omaha to Fremont, thence up the Maple Creek to Howells, and from Howells to Stanton and Norfolk. This Mr. Baker informs us will be a saving of twenty-eight miles in the transportation distance between those two points. From Howells the line will also be extended westward to Madison. This, as we understand, would give us a car for Omaha or Sioux City every two hours and from Howells on every hour. Mr. Baker informs us that work on the road will be commenced as soon as the surveying is completed and the necessary plans and specifications are made and this he thought would be accomplished by the middle of next month."



Lawmakers Are Besieged by Women



WASHINGTON.—That a member of congress spends his days in working for or against such momentous projects as tariff reduction, Canadian reciprocity, appropriations for this or that and other kindred subjects, is, to the popular mind, precisely what he is sent there to do.

any one who wants it—in a jiffy! They can be found either in the reception room of the house of representatives or in the marble room of the senate, chiefly, however, on the house side.

There are young girls, slender and fair, who come in groups, properly chaperoned, from boarding schools just to say "good-day" to the member from their home state. They are frankly curious and vastly excited over the novel experience.

New Statesmen Are Economical

IN this new house of representatives there are a number of members who have come here with a full realization of the fact that they are one-termers.



They know that according to all human probabilities they will not be returned, and so they propose to make all they can out of two years in office.

No expensive hotels for them; on the contrary, they are figuring how they can live on their mileage and clerk hire, and save their salaries.

The result is that the superintendent of the house office building has had hard work to keep members from putting cots in their offices for sleeping there. It is said to be a fact that some of these "close" congressmen have insisted that they be given the right to move their trunks into the house office building and sleep there, though they have not yet proposed doing light housekeeping.

Speaking of committee rooms, the shift caused by the change in the political complexion of the house has resulted in embarrassment to some of the members who have been in the habit of taking their naps regularly during the day.

"But blamed if I know where to get it. Last session I had lots of friends who kept bottles in their committee rooms, and I suppose there are just as many now, or more, but I don't know where to locate them."

There seems to be no reason to doubt that the bottles are just as plenty in this congress as they ever were, but having changed their habit it is difficult for a man with a thirst to spy them out. Some years ago congress prohibited by law the sale of liquor in the capitol building.

Up to that time both the senate and house restaurants sold liquor, which by some was considered a convenience, and by others a curse.

Certain senators and members maintained bottles in their committee rooms for use in emergency, either to themselves or their friends, and it became noticeable that these emergencies arose with startling regularity.

Can't Fathom Fight on Mormons



SENATOR REED SMOOT of Utah, who is an apostle of the Mormon church, in spite of all the attacks he has weathered since his advent into public life, cannot get used to the campaigns waged against his religion.

Young, the prophet, was their leader, so that in addition to having the names of all of them carved upon the stone a statue of Young stands, life size, at the top of the monument. There is no religious significance to the statue or to the proposition to engrave the likeness upon the silver service. Senator Smoot explained to Secretary Meyer, although it happens that the pioneers were Mormons.

The proposition is to have engraved upon the silver service a likeness of the pioneer monument that stands at the head of Main street, Salt Lake City. This monument was erected at the very spot where the pioneers of that state, 142 in number, camped when they went into that wilderness to carve out a new empire. All of them were Mormons and Brigham

The senator also stated that the committee having in charge the selection of the silver for the battleship and the designation of the design, is composed of Mormons and non-Mormons and they are unanimously in favor of engraving a picture of the monument upon the service. The result of the senator's talk was that Secretary Meyer will stand pat and not interfere. To all who protest he says that the silver service is a voluntary gift from the people of Utah and the department has no right to stipulate as to the design. The same attitude was assumed by the department when the people of Mississippi presented to the battleship of that name a silver service with the likeness of Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederacy, engraved upon it.

\$300,000 In Gold Awaits Claimants

STACKED in one corner of the steel-ribbed vaults of the United States treasury, \$300,000 in gold coin is going begging. The government cannot give it away; yet none of the rightful owners can be induced to take it. It represents unclaimed interest on the public debt.



Somewhere in nooks and crannies and out of the way places are the government's interest checks for the money, which never have been cashed. Some of them never will be presented, others may be brought around in time, and some are being held by cautious investors.

From time to time the treasury attempts to call in the checks and the vagaries of human nature are shown. One citizen has more than \$50,000 waiting for him and holds the checks for it. He was recently invited to cash in and made a trip to Washington to tell treasury officials the checks were his property, he would cash them when he pleased, or burn them up if he wished. If he does the latter, his money will be held in the vaults until congress, perhaps, might dispose of it.

The amounts of this seemingly ownerless fund range from thousands of dollars down to a few cents. The smaller amounts are all held for those who owned government securities at some time or other and probably have forgotten to collect their latest interest.

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Henry Norenburg, who has been in the city since February 1, as a writer on the Biene, resigned his position this week and will leave before the end of the week for his old home in New York City, where he will resume his place on the German Herold.