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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 13th day of December, A. D. 1925. M. B. HUNGATE, Notary Public.

Great is Tammany, but Croker is no longer its prophet.

It is a little early yet to route glaucigrading tours by way of the Nicaragua canal.

Mr. Croker should give some good assurance that this is really his last farewell tour.

Nebraska state banks have again passed highwater mark in bank deposits.

Anxious reader is assured that notwithstanding the ominous signs the baseball season will not open in earnest for several months yet.

With the prospect of having to run the gauntlet of two police judges the timid crook ought to take the hint to give Omaha a wide berth.

If reported shortage of South American coffee crop is not exaggerated, we may as well begin to practice awhile on liquid extract of chicory roots and army beans.

Oklahoma is to send a delegation by special train to Washington to present its claims to statehood to congress.

Now that the lawyers have had their love feast the courts may prepare for another session with the usual accompaniments of personalities between opposing counsel.

That bill creating a new federal judge for Nebraska has not yet passed either house of congress.

The average monthly salary of public school teachers in Nebraska is less than \$40.

Omaha's increase in December postal business was more than three times that of St. Joseph.

The latest conundrum: How many annuists and trip passes did it take to persuade the farmers who attended that tri-state grain and cattle growers' convention at Fargo to pass resolutions endorsing Jim Hill's \$400,000,000 merger?

The great French aeronaut expresses a consuming desire to compete in the proposed aerial navigation contest at St. Louis.

A bill has been introduced into congress to give all ex-presidents life salaries at the rate of \$25,000, payable from the time they retire from the executive office.

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AN EXAMPLE FOR NEBRASKA.

Governor Van Sant of Minnesota has made public announcement that he will call the legislature of that state to meet in extra session for the first part of February.

The extra session in Minnesota is called under general constitutional provision relating to the convening of the legislature to meet extraordinary emergencies.

It is to be hoped that Senator Mason and his committee will go still further, nothing short of postal pneumatic tube systems owned by the government and operated as part of the postal service in the principal cities of the country.

It is simply amazing that a country whose people are so progressive as the United States should have allowed itself to be distanced by the slow-going nations of Europe in its postal facilities.

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compact and efficient force for fighting political battles than Tammany in power.

Postal Pneumatic Service. A delegation from the New York Post office exchange has presented a petition to Senator Mason, chairman of the committee on postoffices and post roads, urging the re-establishment of the pneumatic tube service.

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BRIEF BITS OF STATE POLITICS.

Beatrice Times (rep.): If the tone of the bulk of the republican press of the state is to be taken as an indication of the voice of the people in the Barry pardon case Governor Savage would be throwing away his time to be a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination this year.

Broken Bow Republican: Now, that the probabilities of the renomination of Governor Savage has been removed, the question of his successor will be a matter of public interest.

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BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Etchings of People and Events at the National Capital. The famous echo in Statuary Hall of the national capital has not been materially changed by recent repairs to that portion of the great building.

An old looking little box with a glass containing rows and rows of small metallic buttons that have a peculiar fashion of turning all colors of the rainbow, has attracted much attention from members of congress.

Another member is in a hurry for a certain document and gives his button a steady push. The little metal button at the other end of the circuit gets brown, then black and as the pressure remains it turns red.

One day recently President Roosevelt started out for a walk with Theodore, Jr., as a companion. They strolled off toward Cabin John bridge, which is eight miles from Washington.

The president walked all the way to Cabin John bridge and his son strode along beside him, enjoying the outing as much as his father.

When Senator Perkins was merchandising in California in his younger days, he relates the Washington Post, there came to his town a man who claimed to possess a prodigious memory.

Democrat call Governor Ferguson of Oklahoma the "red-headed rooster of the North Canadian," his home being on that river.

A Bloomington, Ind., man entertained his four brothers-in-law for dinner New Year's day. He not only survived, but proposes to repeat next year, if all are alive.

M. Briac, a French professor, has originated a plan to make the study of English compulsory in all French schools without exception, and French in all English schools, thus covering the world with two languages.

Governor Odell of New York does not go in for athletics quite as much as did his predecessor, Mr. Roosevelt, but could make it interesting for most persons at any kind of sport.

Commander Cowley of the navy, whose name appears so frequently in accounts of social happenings at the White House, is President Roosevelt's brother-in-law.

The accused gold standard, we are told, would ruin the country.

January payments on account of interest and dividends at New York reached the great total of \$118,000,000. This does not include government payments, bank dividends or corporations other than those whose stocks are on the market.

To show what has happened in practical results since the silver threat rose and fell, these disbursements at New York on securities having a public market are strikingly interesting, viz:

Total interest and dividends, 69,196,714

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Seven years' increase, 49,003,390

Per cent increase in return on capital invested in securities of railroads and other corporations having a public market, seven years, 71

Par value stocks paying dividends, January, 1925, 846,950,344

Par value stocks paying dividends, January, 1922, 2,158,858,041

Seven years' increase, \$1,311,858,697

Par value bonds paying dividends, January, 1925, \$2,641,152,500

Par value bonds paying dividends, January, 1922, 3,553,254,222

Seven years' increase, \$1,098,201,672

Total increase in seven years of par value of securities paying in January, 1925, \$2,410,057,369

It will be said, no doubt, that this gain in the value of securities is no sign of general prosperity for the country. But it is, for our welfare and prosperity, in all things, are interdependent.

The change observed within the past few years arises from restoration of confidence and re-establishment of credit, which not merely had been threatened, but almost destroyed, by the attack on the basis of the money that measures values.

Will this country ever again destroy its prosperity through an effort to debase its money? Will it again tolerate the pretensions of those who make a Bryan their prophet?

PHILADELPHIA PRESS.

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A time in my promise, ere life's portals outward swung

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decided to give his family a New Year's treat in the form of an afternoon at the matinee.

He went to one of the leading theaters and asked the man in the window if he had any good seats.

"Fourteen," replied the ticket seller. "Now, see here," responded the ticket seller, "do you suppose we are going to sell you those tickets for you to scalp? We know as well as you do that there will be a big demand for seats on New Year's day.

"But I don't want to speculate in them. I just want them for my own family," protested Mr. Mason. The ticket seller made it plain that he did not know much about large families.

He told you who will make up the party," continued the senator. "I am Senator Mason of Illinois. I want to go to the show. Then there are Mrs. Mason and our eight children. That's ten. Then there are my brother and his wife. That's twelve, and—"

The ticket seller interrupted the senator with an apology, saying that he had a moment to go to the office to get a good many things, said the senator in telling of his adventure afterward, "but I never was taken for a theater-ticket scalper before. I guess this life down here must be demoralizing."

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