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Are not these daily rehearsals of the coronation procession likely to wear the newness out of the performance?

Like the candidate for office, the professional prize fighter is always confident of winning up to the very eye of the battle.

The Bee will be pleased to welcome President Burt of the Union Pacific into the editorial profession as soon as he launches his promised paper.

Now that the drought in Texas has broken we may expect the Texans to go back to raising the same old blind which has made them famous.

A messenger boys' strike has stagnated the business of the telegraph companies at Chicago. The initiative bump is well developed in the American youth.

It is only fair to assume that when Oyster Bay was given its name the founders had no idea that it would ever become even the temporary abiding place of a president.

The announcement has been made that a truce has been patched up between ex-Senator Allen and Edgar Howard.

Our Dave pretends to be still waiting for his committee to tell him what to do, while the committee cannot move until our nonresident congressman gives the word.

Another revision of the railway map of this section of the country by absorption and merger is predicted.

Mr. Bryan's intimation in his Boston speech that there is room in this country for only two permanent national political parties must be discouraging to the populist allies unless they can deduce themselves into the belief that the populist party is to be the permanent party and the democratic party soon to vanish from the earth.

The grand assessment roll for Nebraska, as compiled by the State Board of Equalization, shows an increase in assessed valuation of more than \$5,000,000.

Of the \$5,000,000 added to the assessed property valuations in Nebraska subject to taxation for 1902 as compared with 1901, \$3,000,000 comes from Douglas county, and Douglas county will pay nearly a seventh of the entire taxes raised by the state.

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BUSINESS MEN OF THE POLICE BOARD.

The Massachusetts editor of the defunct Omaha Republican made himself famous by prefacing his sugar-coated sawdust-pile editorials with the declaration, "and we desire it distinctly understood that we do not wish to be understood."

The original object of the creation of a fire and police board appointed by the governor was to make a strictly non-partisan body free from local partisan influences that would divorce the fire and police departments altogether from politics.

When Mr. Bennett dropped out William Coburn was substituted, but that did not seem to make the board less offensive. When James E. Boyd became governor the democratic organ raised the howl of politics and insisted upon a change.

Two years later Governor Crouse injected Attorney V. O. Strickler into the board in place of Mr. Gilbert. This appointment was made expressly for the benefit of the World-Herald, which then, as now, pretended to be in favor of business men on the board.

Governor Holcomb's appointees to the police board were Charles H. Brown and D. Clem Deaver, to serve with Strickler and Smith. This board was eventually ousted by special legislation that transferred the appointing power from the populist governor to the republican land commissioner and attorney general.

When these nonpartisan business men were displaced during Governor Holcomb's second term by such business men as Lee Herdman, Dr. J. H. Peabody, Attorney D. D. Gregory and W. C. Bullard the change brought on no resentment from the nonpartisan organ.

The only really offensive partisan board, then, is that appointed by Mayor Moore, constituted in the first instance of the late Charles J. Karbach, Dr. V. H. Coffman, M. H. Collins and P. W. Birkhauser, who had also been a member of a former board.

ON HIS WAY TO PARIS TO ASSIST IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE MATTER OF TITLE AND HE HAS EXPRESSED NO DOUBT THAT THE RESULT WILL BE ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY TO OUR GOVERNMENT.

It appears that Nicaragua and Costa Rica are still hopeful of some hitch in the negotiations that will give them a chance. The ministers of those countries at Washington profess to believe that the United States will not be able to make satisfactory arrangements for the construction of a canal at Panama and will therefore in the end revert to the Nicaragua route.

The meeting at Nantasket under the auspices of the New England Democratic league, with a view to promoting party harmony, contributed nothing to the attainment of that object, if indeed it shall not have the effect to aggravate democratic discord and division.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The coming general election in Japan will be of probably greater interest and importance than any which has preceded it, because in it more than in any other definite party lines will be drawn. Ever since the establishment of the constitution, Japan has been moving toward party government on somewhat the same lines as the free countries of the western world.

One of the dangers of the telephone where the service is in the hands of the government has been curiously illustrated in Germany. An association, of which a well-known German "captain of industry" is a member, recently found it necessary to ask him by telegraph if he was satisfied with a certain resolution passed by the society.

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Advertisement for B. S. Wilcox, Manager, featuring 'EXTENSIVE ALTERATIONS' and '25 and 50 Per Cent Discount' on various goods like Wash Suits, Boys' Suits, and Children's Suits.

Advertisement for 'Torpil Liver' and 'Horsford's Acid Phosphate', describing symptoms and benefits of the medicine.