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The people of the corporations—is still the issue in Omaha.

It will be remembered that The Bee declared at the time that the postponement of the city election by special legislative act would have no effect on the contest.

This undisputed fact stares the bolters in the face: At the republican primaries, only three delegates were elected pledged to support Frank E. Moores for mayor...

The promoters of wireless telegraphy have missed the chance of unlimited free advertising in failing to keep up with President Roosevelt in the Yellowstone after he cut himself off from telephonic and telegraphic communication.

The Austrian ministry would have its hands full if it undertook to censure all the plays produced in this country with a view to eliminating suggestive or demoralizing features.

When the ants made up the apportionment of delegates to the city convention they thought they had gerrymandered Frank E. Moores out of the majority race.

One railroad president has been found to say that the merger decision is one of the greatest blessings for railroad interests in general business that the country can have.

Had the direct nomination system prevailed at the recent republican convention, Frank E. Moores' triumph would have been overwhelming.

The local popocratic organ complains that the republican platform is not specific enough to suit it.

The old city committee became ipso facto defunct the moment the republican convention organized, and the new city committee reconstituted by the convention is the only legitimate machinery of the party.

Charges have been filed with Governor Peabody of Colorado upon which he has summoned members of the Denver Fire and Police board to make appearance before him and show cause why they should not be removed for malfeasance and misfeasance.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson expects to see a great industry in silk culture to be developed in the south as a result of the experiments now under way in adapting the mulberry to southern soil.

DISCUSSING ITS REPORT

It is generally recognized that the merger decision will have a far-reaching effect, should it be affirmed by the court of last resort, but there is diversity of opinion as to the scope of its application...

If that view be correct, it will apply to the Union Pacific control of the Southern Pacific, the Pennsylvania company's holdings in the Baltimore & Ohio, the Chesapeake & Ohio and the Norfolk & Western railroads...

Whether or not the Northern Securities decision reaches to trade combinations is of course a debatable question. The leading counsel of the United States Steel corporation has expressed the opinion that it will not be affected by the decision...

When the men who bolted the republican city convention because they were folded in the effort to override the will and wish expressed through the ballot box in the primary election get their sober senses they will realize that they have not a leg to stand on.

Everybody knows that that most audacious political outlaw, William J. Braatch, and the police commission not only used the police clubs to bulldoze and terrorize liquor dealers, but sought to obstruct the election by lawless interference.

While all is fair in love, war and politics, there is a line of demarcation between honorable and dishonorable warfare. No honorable republican, whatever may be his factional predilections, can countenance, much less defend and uphold, the criminal conspiracy to overturn the verdict rendered at the primaries by the purchase of delegates elected to voice the will of the majority.

One fact is patent to all men and that is that the majority faction treated the defeated faction with unprecedented magnanimity. When the bolters walked out of the convention they left the victorious majority in unrestrained control. Had that body been actuated by a vindictive spirit it could have imitated the example set by the bolters

and nominated a factional ticket from top to bottom. Instead of using its power the majority of the convention conceded to the minority two of the most important offices on the ticket and in every instance for the city council the candidates that received the largest vote at the primary regardless of their factional affiliations.

Announcement comes from Boston of a movement among a faction of Massachusetts democrats in favor of Carter Harrison for president, with Josiah Quincy of that state as his running mate. While Chicago's mayor hardly measures up to the presidential standard, it is the belief of the democrats who are endeavoring to start a boom for him that he might be able to wrest Illinois from the republican column.

In view of the signal victory won in the Northern Securities case, it is unfortunate that the government cannot retain in its service an attorney like Assistant Attorney General Beck, who had a principal part in the management of the government's side.

The coming session of the National Association of American Manufacturers will, it is said, have for one of its principal objects an effort to induce the manufacturers of the country to organize a special body for the purpose of resisting trades-unionism.

It is a good thing for Mr. Roosevelt's feelings, no doubt, that he was in the fastnesses of the Yellowstone Park when old Jimmy Merger Hill took that shot at him.

Most of the accounts of the comparative strength of the American and German navies are mere tales for the marines. Now comes Hobson with the declaration that he does not agree with Admiral Dewey in regard to the German navy.

The negotiations with Cuba for naval coaling stations are said to have resulted in leaving the Isle of Pines to the Cuban government. That is quite probable. The United States could claim this island under the treaty with Spain, but that would have created ill feeling, and the United States has no particular need of the island.

The Keene pool in Southern Pacific railroad stock expired Friday by limitation, and gains and losses are being counted up. It proves to have been all loss—at once the largest and the most disastrous pool ever organized in Wall street.

pose the construction of a building for social and religious activity. The university authorities should have no difficulty in securing the remainder necessary to complete the fund, providing the donation is in strict conformity with the non-secular character of the university.

The government's victory in the Northern Securities case reveals the powerlessness of monopoly as against the arm of energetically administered law. Universal and rigid application will not only correct the evils, but will illumine the course of future legislation, bringing delinquencies clearly to light.

The decision in the case of the Northern Securities company will not hurt legitimate interests. This and other restraints on combinations made for the purpose of extortion ought to have a salutary effect on the purely speculative and fictitious operations that have menaced financial security and have aroused popular resentment.

The thing which the court denounces and prohibits, it will be observed, is the power which Messrs. Morgan, Hill and their associates sought to acquire. The Omaha people have declared, through their congress, that the possession of such power by any part of their number is dangerous to the safety of the whole, and have forbidden it.

Meanwhile it should be borne in mind, particularly by the alarmed holders of securities, that the railways of the nation will not lose any freight by reason of present legal complications, but will continue to haul the enormous tonnage which is steadily surpassing all records, and each month the statistics of earnings continue to exceed those of previous years until the situation has become almost monotonous.

What Wall street thinks, says or may attempt in such circumstances, is less significant than the attempted reduction by the court of the amount of natural right heretofore supposed to exist in the world, the natural right to sell, much or little, or all of anything one has, the natural right of two or more to agree that what is sold or bought shall be used to promote commercial utility and not to promote commercial rivalry.

The law officers of the government are to be congratulated on a notable victory gained against the able and backed by a combination of railway capital in excess of one billion dollars—the largest, perhaps, that the world has ever seen.

GRAIN-O THE PURE GRAIN COFFEE. The coffee habit is quickly overcome by those who let Grain-O take its place.

JUDGMENT IN THE MERGER CASE.

A Triumph of Law. Chicago Record-Herald. The issues are so clear that all these mergers appear simply as examples of conscious lawbreaking, and the decision will be hailed as a triumph of law and as a victory for the people which must strengthen their confidence in the administration of the law.

It is well for the trusts—for the good, bad and indifferent trusts—that the limits of their field of legitimate operations are soon to be finally determined. It is well for all the people that the utmost boundary of that field will be clearly within the line of public safety.

The result is a great and well deserved triumph for President Roosevelt, who directed that the suit be brought, and it is unfortunate that the government cannot retain in its service an attorney like Assistant Attorney General Beck.

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At gross everywhere; 1 lb. and 50c. per package.

FREAK TAXATION.

Mortgage Tax and Other Schemes of Doubtful Utility. Chicago Chronicle. Governor Odell's bill for the taxation of mortgages seems to have no chance of enactment in the New York legislature, although it was the pet measure of the executive himself and had been formally adopted as a supposed clever move by the dominant party.

It is conceded that the persistent and dogmatic adherence to this particular measure has been a positive injury to Governor Odell, damaging his hopes of future political advancement and even threatening the chances of his party's success in the next state election.

There will be general surprise at the announcement by the Postoffice Department in its new book of instruction that stamps accidentally torn in two cannot be used for the payment of postage.

The government in Washington still lives and does business at the old stand. Daniel S. Lamont, secretary of war in the Cleveland cabinet, has just returned from a six months' trip abroad.

Ex-President Cleveland will spend several weeks of the summer as a guest of James H. Eckels, former controller of the currency, at the Chicagoan's summer cottage at Ononago, Wis.

That plumber working under a house the other day unearthed \$18,000 in buried treasure and was rewarded by the house owner with a gift of \$1. This is where the usual plumber witticism does not fit.

Cornelius Vanderbilt has a graceful way of heaping coals of fire by heaving on the bride of his youngest brother, to whose wedding he has not been invited, the handsomest present she has received.

Suppose you leave all that to me.

THE OLD RELIABLE

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE. A GRATIFYING SPECTACLE.

Temper of the Irish Toward Proposed Land Reform. Portland Oregonian. The energy with which the Irish people rise to meet the opportunity that the late government grant of \$25,000 annually for the development and their ultimate ownership of lands presents is both gratifying and tremendous.

If you have a good temper, keep it; if you have a bad one, don't lose it.—Columbia Jester. Church—Do you think he is a well-proportioned man? "No, no; his lungs are away out of proportion to his brain.—Yonkers Statesman.

Casey—Don't say "Oh ain't done nothing." Casely—An' why not? Casey—Because it's not good English. Casely—Shure, it's not good to hear it, fur mayther am Oi.—Philadelphia Press.

First Dame—How do you like the new neighborhood into which you have moved? Second Dame—It's perfectly lovely, I don't know a soul within a mile.—New York Weekly.

DEAR UNSELFISH DAN. Philadelphia Catholic Standard. Most everyone that knew our Dan agreed he was the kindest man they ever see. He had the knack of taking on his own broad back the burdens of the sins and peccates belonging by rights to other folks.

Was nobler finer than the way he cared for poor old Uncle Jay. Who was the most unlucky ban' 'er havin' trouble with me.

Suppose you leave all that to me.

To Make Red Cheeks. A little red, a little white, delicately blended. That's one way. Here's a better: Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It makes the blood pure and rich.