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It is to be noted that the democrats are not claiming Iowa this year.

It would seem that a nonpartisan these days can run for office only on a demo cratic ticket.

Will the nonpartisan republicans running on democratic tickets be republicans or democrats after election?

Inhabitants of the barnyard may con sider themselves duly notified for what is coming to them on the last Thursday

therefore behooves every registered voter so much more to make sure that his vote is polled.

It is never too late to learn. Even Harvard's crack foot ball men have been taught a trick on the gridiron by a wily Indian player.

Douglas county a republican county: It tween the five republicans, but what is much more pleasant to rejoice with show has he with the jugglers who put the winners than to mourn with the up the bogus nonpartisan judicial ticket?

Chairman Cowell's offer of \$100 reward for the detection of election frauds is proof positive that he means business when he says he is determined on hav ing a free ballot and an honest count.

It will not do to count our chickens be fore they are hatched, but if President Stickney makes good on his promised elevators and mills, Omaha will gladly inscribe his name on its roll of honor.

The only menace to Douglas county boodle. Lee Herdman's \$12,000 a year, tribution on election day.

The political prophets are busy telling what may be expected to happen at ing character to take up the leadership affairs that called loudly for remedy. the elections in various states Tuesday. of the democracy? The republican party In its general purpose it is a meritorreliable than their foresight.

The suspicion is abroad that the talk by the clusive Turk that they would do well to keep their eyes on the cards all

The safest thing for republicans of the the republican party. Under the peculiar makeup of the official ballot to scratch any one of the party nominees for the bench is liable to result in the rejection of the whole vote.

carlous mining situation there gives it mentioned as possible candidates are It seems to us that with a more no longer talked of. There are Tom determined effort they might have made L. Johnson and Carter Harrison, but live position in the gift of the voters of some headway. No two men ever yet neither of them can be seriously congot at loggerheads but what there was sidered as possibilities, although they some way of settling the dispute.

If the tax committee of the Real Estate exchange thinks the fight for tax reform depends on the outcome of the impending election, why have its mem- ship as it is at present and there is that republicans would be voting sevbers walted until the eve of voting to at this moment no promise of its being eral thousand dollars into democratic come out and state their position? This able to find a man able to harmonize campaign funds next year and several eleventh hour trimming savors alto- its factions and carry it united into years thereafter. gether too much of a put-up job and is next year's contest. calculated to shake public confidence in the work of the tax committee, which strength from that consideration.

A WORD WITH DEMOCRATS.

There was a time not many years ago the cardinal principles of the party founded by Jefferson and championed by Horatio Seymour, Samuel J. Tilden and of the democracy still believe in those principles, but the leadership of the to all men and deal as fairly with inparty in Nebraska, and especially in dividuals as with corporations. Omaha, has degenerated and the party has become a mere aggregation of political buccaneers battling for spoils. The present campaign has been marked by brazen imposture and sham pretense that should make every honest democrat blush for his party and despair of its future.

The populist-democratic alliance by which Judge Sullivan was made the socalled fusion reform candidate was perfectly natural, although the demonstrated fitness of Judge Sullivan, as measured by populist standards, bas not been apparent in his rulings on the bench. But the desperate effort to pose Judge Sullivan as a model anti-corporation judge in the face of his known record in the legislature and in the face of his decision in the railroad tax cases will make the railroad tax agents and railroad attorneys laugh in their sleeves. Ask ex-Attorney General Constantine J. Smyth, who was chairman of the committee on cities in the legislature that cut the provision to tax the railroad Judge Sullivan had in the mutilation? democrat, what he thinks of Judge Suldemocratic national committeeman, who corporation managers, whether he regards Judge Sullivan as a safe man for the railroad corporations? -

everybody in Nebraska know that the ment. Doubtless unity in administerfrantic appeals of the sham reformers ing the affairs of the insular posses on behalf of Judge Sullivan is really inspired by R. E. Lee Herdman, whose in- be attained, but it is by no means clear come of \$12,000 a year is threatened?

The most disreputable feature of the district. Is there an intelligent demonation of five republicans and two demsame ticket? Every democrat in Ne. is at present, reach of corporate influence, but he was him four years ago as a corporation re- ing government departments. publican. To be sure Judge Ferguson, a democrat who stands high with his party and whose judicial record is un-Nebraska is a republican state and impeachable, was sandwiched in be-Can self-respecting democrats make themselves parties to such a confidence game?

WHERE IS THE MANS

An eastern democratic paper, rehas practically begun and the republican candidate has been selected, says through a process of preparation for to develop new industries. the encounter and its "position would be greatly strengthened if the man of the hour would be kind enough to come brought here in violation of the act has forward and by his commanding charrepublican candidates is democratic acter take the leadership of his party." It adds that unfortunately "we have the action of the immigration author-Broadwell's \$0,500, Power's \$6,000 to yet to wait for the man of destiny, but ities and several cases are now before \$7,000 will leave a big margin for dis. In the meanwhile the party is making the secretary of the Department of a record which will help it or handleap Commerce, by way of testing the reit next year."

After it is all over, however, their hind- would be glad to have him announce lous law, but it is liable to abuse and sight will, as usual, prove much more himself, so that it may know what sort it is quite possible that in some inof democratic leader it will have to stances it has been abused. At any rate fight. Every man who has thus far the tests to be applied will doubtless If this is the kind of campaign the been suggested is deficient in some vital serve a good purpose. democrats put up to redeem Judge Sul- respect. None of those democrats who livan's piedge of decent treatment for aspire to the presidency has better his opponent, how much mud slitiging than a factional support and the "com- get by the Hitchcock organ during the and yellow fakery would we have had manding character" essential to party present campaign? Why is he being if the popocratic organs and orators leadership is generally lacking. Mr. pursued so vindictively and stigmatized had been allowed to do as they pleased? Cleveland has a quite earnest eastern as an incompetent when every reputable support and some friendly considera- lawyer concedes that he is in every retion in the middle states and in the spect the peer of any of the candidates of disbanding the Turkish army on the west, but the south doesn't want him, now nominated for judicial honors in Bulgarian frontier is simply another of though undoubtedly it would give him this district? Why is he singled out the sultan's smooth games. The Euro- its electoral vote should be be nomi- among republican candidates as a man pean powers have been buncoed so often nated. It is not known, however, not deserving the confidence of the peowhether Mr. Cleveland desires or would ple of this district in the face of the fact accept a nomination. Senator Gorman that Mr. Sears has always enjoyed the is bidding for the support of the south esteem and confidence of the people of in the next democratic national con- his home county in the highest degree judicial district to do is to vote for yention and probably will get it, but his and was practically the unanimous all the seven candidates nominated by present course will hardly commend choice of the republicans of that dis him to nerthern democrats, however trict for a seat on the district bench? much they may generally be in sym- Is it not true that all this cowardly warpathy with him. They must realize fare is being waged upon Sears because that his election to the presidency would he did not support Mr. Hitchcock's be out of the question. Judge Parker father-in-law, Lorenzo Crounse, for the tions of that curious entity may be imagof New York seems to have been United States senate three years ago? The Montana arbitrators called 'n to dropped from consideration and Hill, solve the problem presented by the pre- Olney and some others who have been

> candidate. so badly off in the matter of leader. re-elect Broadwell would simply mean

is supposed to be entirely distinct from equitable distribution of the burden of clerk of the supreme court, that a large political considerations and won its taxation. Under the new revenue law number of republicans in Douglas

for four consecutive years. This assess when the democratic rank and file was supervision of the county assessor to be portance that the man elected to that who can be depended upon to do justice

NO NEW DEPARTMENT. There is talk of creating a new department of the government to look after the affairs of our insular possessions. It is stated that Senstor Foraker, who is chairman of the senate committee on Pacific islands and Porto Rico, may introduce a bill for this purpose at the coming session, not with the expectation that it will pass during the sesbefore congress. It is pointed out that tached to the War department has a with such costly luxuries. staff of about 100 clerks and it is not able to do anywhere near all that many persons think it should. It is further suggested that a better unification of colonial relations and a more systematic supervision from Washington can only be secured by definite representation of the insular possessions in the president's cabinet.

The Philippines, it is remarked, are now in a transition state and so far property the same as all other property as federal administration is concerned out of the Omaha charter, what part they are well managed from the insular bureau, but there is no knowing when Ask John D. Howe, a very consistent Philippine problems will outgrow this supervision. Then it is noted that not livan as an anti-monopolist? Ask Lee a day passes that many persons do not Spratien, John N. Baldwin or Ben White call at the bureau to inquire somewhether they are dissatisfied with Judge thing about Porto Rican affairs, al-Sullivan? Ask James Dahlman, the though it has had nothing to do with that Island in more than three years, always has been in close touch with the It is argued that the lack of unity in the administration of those parts of the American dominion which have not been made states would be remedied But why this masquerade? Does not by the establishment of a new departsions is to be desired and will in time that it is essential to such attainment that there shall be created a new execu campaign is, however, the confidence tive department. We can see no good game that is being played under the reason why, when there has been comguise of nonpartisan judiciary in this plete organization of the insular pos sessions, a properly equipped bureau crat who cannot see through this bunco will not be able to handle whatever game? Is it not manifest that the nomi- business there may be in connection with them. It is admitted that this is ocrats was a clean sell out? What the case now, with the Philippines and chance of election have the two demo- the work should and undoubtedly will crats as against five republicans on the be simpler in the near future than it

It is a light registration, and it brasks knows that Judge Donne was a The idea of a "colonial" department fearless and upright judge, beyond the will, we are very confident, not meet with general public approval. It is deliberately sidetracked for the benefit manifestly unnecessary and there is of Judge Dickinson, who ran against a strong popular objection to multiply-

THE CONTRACT LABOR LAW. Legislation by the last congress broadened the scope of the alien contract labor law, so as to permit the inspectwas constantly violated. The new act says that aliens shall not be induced to fer, solicitation, promise or agreement. It is further provided that skilled labor marking that the presidential campaign shall only be imported when labor of a like kind cannot be found unemployed; in this country, the old law not barring that the democratic party is going skilled contract laborers when imported

Under the new law the deportation of immigrants alleged to have been been going on actively. In some instance appeals have been taken from vised law. The alien contract labor Where is the man with a command- law was enacted to meet a condition of

Why has W. G. Sears been made a tar

There is no reason why any repub lican should favor F. A. Broadwell over W. W. Bingham for the most lucra-Douglas county. Mr. Broadwell will have drawn close to \$30,000 out of the may exert a considerable influence in the office within the four years of his term. selection of a democratic presidential That certainly is sufficient, in view of the fact that the county is republican The democratic party has never been by from 1,200 to 1,500 majority. To

Announcement is made by way of Every home owner is interested in an Lincoln by Robert E. Lee Herdman, such a partisan scheme through.

for Judge Sullivan to hold him in his ment will be made under the personal \$12,000 a year job. Whether Mr. Herdman has secured any such promises is bound together by a common faith in elected this fall. Hence it is of vital im- exceedingly doubtful. The republicans of this county have derived no advanposition should be honest, fearless and tage or benefit from Mr. Herdman's impartial. Such a man is the republican tenure of the supreme court clerkship Allen G. Thurman. The rank and file nominee for assessor, Harry D. Reed. and have no interest in extending his

> The editor of The Bee begs to ac knowledge receipt of a handsomely engraved card from District Court Clerk Broadwell, announcing that he is seeking re-election to the position he has been holding for four years. We congratulate Mr. Broadwell on the taste displayed in the selection of such fine stationery, and rejoice that the emoluments of his office permit him to indulge in such expensive campaigning to retain his salary and perquisites. His sion, but in order to bring the matter republican opponent, unfortunately, has not been provided for out of the public the bureau of insular affairs now at- treasury and is not able to solicit votes

The Smile that Comes Off,

Baltimore American. If only the candidates would go right on smiling and shaking hands after the election, this would be a lot pleasanter

> Taking a Large Contract. Chicago Tribune.

world to live in.

An effort is to be made to put a stop to swearing among the sailors in the navy. Their profanity has been noticeably worse since their allowance of grog was shut off.

Boston Transcript.

It is dollars to doughnuts that when congress meets the most magnificent of the floral tributes will surmount the deaks of Senator Platt of New York and Senator Stewart of Nevada

Presidential Recreation.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. President Roosevelt has queer ideas o recreation. He celebrated his forty-fifth birthday anniversary by reading the report of General Bristow in the postoffice boodle investigation

Time and Money Saved. Chicago Record-Herald. The people who attempted to assassinate that Russian governor general the other day are all dead. The Russians don't be-Heve in wasting public money in matter of this kind.

Syndicated Robbery,

Philadelphia Press. to be observed in regard to the revelations of colossal stealings of forest reserve lands of the United States that are not petty larceners hungering for a few acres of the public domain. The chief criminals are the agents and officials that have absorbed millions of acres of public land upon which they are pasturing herds of sheep and cattle. These syndicates, it should also be observed, are among the loudest clamorers for the maintenance high duties on wool and beef.

Pursuit of Land Thieves, St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Scarcely a day passes without dispatches relating to land frauds practiced upon the government. This form of lawbreak ing has become extremely costly to eltisens. They realize the necessity of ferreting it out and bringing the cheats to punishment. Lands restored to rightful government ownership become a contribu ting source to the irrigation fund, a promany who formerly escaped through the subject is not entirely clear, but conthe looseness of the old act, which gress and the president will see that the light shines through it. Secretary of the come to this country through any of- and is performing important service. Restitution of lands filched from the government has become an item of immense value.

GET FROM UNDER

Faithful Old Pullman Blanket Pronounced 'an Unclean Thing. Philadelphia Ledger.

If the chemist of the Pennsylvania railroad, speaking at the annual meeting of the National Public Health association in the name of his own company, expressed what is a sincere desire on the part of th railroads to co-operate in the interest of the health of travelers, we may be encouraged to expect a reform in the impor tant detail of the sleeping car blanket.

Cunningly colored so as not to show its real condition, this hideous article may occasionally be washed; but for certainly many weeks, and probably months, cover ing nightly a different victim, gathering the grime of travel, filling with dust and absorbing unclean exhalations, the Pullman blanket is a filthy outrage, intolerable to decent people and an instrument of contagion which public safety requires should

be abolished. Civilization is a queer thing. The sleep ing car blanket and such like disseminators of disease as the plush street car cushion and the feather duster, would be impossible in some lands which we count far beneath us to the scale of advancement. What thoughtiess indifference tolerates them among us is hard to understand. They are more fatal than war, pestilence and famine. Only their deadly work is done quietly. Dramatic death is required to arouse our languid interest. poison and the dagger are childish playthings beside the pathogenic germ. And it has no more congenial hiding place than in the Pullman blanket, or fifthy, poisonous token of corporate selfishness, the ancient plush traction car

A NONPARTISAN DEFINED.

Any Old Thing that Runs Against Republican Nominees. Lincoln Star.

The latest definition of a "nonpartisan is from that miraculous and supereminen organ of nonpartisanship, the World-Her-There are a few days yet to election and there is no telling what other descripined by that delightful organ, but it will hardly be able to conceive one that will add more to the gaiety of nations.

"The candidates," says the World-Her aid, in launching one of its characteristic for district judge in this judicial district are running as jurists-those who are runrunning exclusively in their capacity as politicians.

And there you are. The only way to be a "nonpartisan" in Nebruska, it thus ap-pears, is to be a democratic candidate or to be nominated by a democratic partisan convention, or to be put forward by democratic partisans. The World-Herald's notion seems to be

that it is "nonpartisan" to fight the republican party.

Very well, let it go at that. This would be a nice scheme if there were sufficient

democratic partisan "nonpartisans" to put The republicans, however, have a the assessment made in 1904 will stand county have been persuaded to vote Tuesday.

TALK OF THE STATE PRESS.

Pay nee-City Republican: Admitting that the fusionists have good men on their ticket they have no right to expect republican votes when the republicans have nominated against them not only equally as good, but better qualified men. Vote the republican

Wayne Herald: Judge John B. Barnes, twice endorsed for commissioner by his opponent, Judge Sullivan, should receive the united support of the republican party for supreme judge. He is among the foremost lawyers in the state and none can discharge the duties of its highest tribunal nore learnedly or fairly.

Bradshaw Republican: There should be to "off year" in politics. The republican state convention, in strong resolutions, indorsed President Roosevelt and his administration. Next Tuesday is the day and the voting booth is the place for every republican in Nobraska to seal those resolutions by their votes by rolling up an old time republican majority for the entire ticket. Wayne Herald: Governor Mickey truth

fully says that the result of this fall's election will largely determine whether or not Nebraska will be counted in the Roose velt column next year. Thus, it is impor tant that all voters be on hand to cast their ballots and that every republican candidate from supreme judge down receives a large majority.

Tilden Ciffsen: All indications point to republican success throughout the state on Tuesday next. The past six years have been a particularly prosperous period for the farmers and, so far as legislation can affect their condition, they realize that credit for their prosperity must be given to the administrative policy of the party in power.

Lyons Sun: It will be remembered that the Hon. W. G. Sears is Burt county's only candidate for district judge. If Mr Sears should fall of election there would be no Burt county resident on the bench. Past services entitle Mr. Sears to a handsome vote from his home county. We be lieve he will get it, and with it he will be elected to the office which he is so well qualified to fill.

Crete Vidette-Herald: There is always degree of satisfaction in supporting the republican ticket because it is the ticket of the political party that stands for progress and prosperity. But this year there is an additional pleasure. Aside from the matter of political principles we feel a just pride in the personnel of our ticket, a list of able, clean and worthy men-not a poor stick in the lot. If you can subscribe to the principles of good government and wish to see worthy men in effice lend your support to the republican ticket.

Norfolk News: Friends of Judge Barnes are pleased to note that many of the broadminded fusionists in the vicinity of his home town are inclined to give him a complimentary vote for the office of justice of the supreme court. It would be a splendid showing for the friendliness and neighbor the principal participants in these crimes liness of the people and Judge Barnes is a man that is entitled to such consideration. His administration of justice as one of the supreme judges will be above reproach and none need hesitate to support him for fear that they will be sorry for it in the future.

York Times: One thing is so self-evident as to need no argument, no republican ought to vote for the candidate of the opposition unless there is good and abundant reason for so doing. In the present crisis, if we may be allowed the expression, no such reason exists in connection with any though some of the dietaries showed that candidate. There is no tangible objection to any one of the republican candidates. They are all competent and worthy and the majority of those studied fell below the when a man asks you to do such an extraordinary thing as to go back on your ticket and insult your candidates and con vention make him show you the reason

confident of the election of Judge Barnes ors of immigration to catch a great land frauds are under investigation that their candidate for judge of the supreme court. He has grown in popularity as the campaign progressed and he became better known, for he is the kind of a man that Interior Hitchcock has been actively at the more you know of him the better you work on the land frauds for a long period like him. His legal talents are secognize and respected all over the state and there is no doubt but that he will get the full conubilean vote, which is a safe majority. Ashland Gazette: A prosperous bank ac count adds much more to one's mental complacency than the mere vindication of

his political opinions. Vote for the party of prosperity. Wood River Interests: We would urge ipon the republicans the importance of casting a ballot next Tuesday. The "stayat-homes" and "over-confidents" have more than once brought disaster to the party. Not only is it important for the election of the present ticket, that a full party vote be cast, but every believer in Theodore Roosevelt and the principles for which he stands should come out and contribute his vote and influence for the re publican candidates who stand for and uphold those principles. Next year is a presidential one and it is none too early to commence laying the foundation for

PERSONAL NOTES.

Alexander Blackley, the pastel artist, whose death is announced at the age of 88, was the first artist whose work was reproduced in color in an illustrated newspaper. "Elijah" Dowle made a great mistake in ime and place. How can he expect the people of New York to devote any attention to religious matters when they have a city election on hand?

The super-eminent moral atmosphere of Massachusetts is again cleared of obnoxious taints. Involuntary osculation secured for the osculator sixty days in the workhouse. Bay state delicacies triumphantly remain above the bargain counter basis. The cost of the Alaska boundary arbitra-

tion is estimated at \$300,000. Canada spent nearly \$200,000 preparing the case and for the fees of the British lawyers. The United States expenditure was about \$100,000.

Henry Vignaud, secretary of the United States embassy at Paris, has just published a new book seeking to establish the date of Columbus' birth, as a further development of his Columbian researches. He concludes that the great navigator was born in 1451.

It is said in London that John Morley, whose "Life of Giadstone" is the talk of the day, may have a baronetcy if he cares for such honor. But it is not thought he will accept, for, like "the great commoner," he is indifferent to such dignity as is supposed to be conferred by a title.

Down in Memphis the musical critic apparently does the horse races. He says that "Lou Dillon moved as softly and soothingly as a Provencal air, fresh from the who are running on the democratic ticket land of Oc. Delmar's was a Wagnerian etude, splendid, but not compelling. Toning on the republican ticket alone are gether they rendered a Hungarian rhap-Hon. James D. Richardson, a member of

congress from Tennessee, by his recent

master of the Royal Order of Scotland of America was elevated to the highest position in Masonry in the world, and is the ranking man in every organisation with which Masons are in anywise connected. Harry Payne Whitney, son of the New York millionaire, has taken to mining in earnest, having gone to work on the Colorado properties in which his father is in terested. He declares his intention to master the mining business thoroughly and will qualify himself to make expert examina-



BITS OF WASHINGTON LIFE.

Minor Scenes and Incidents Sketched on the Spot.

Having definitely located a microbe which will butt in and knock out a billy goat, the Agricultural department turns in triumph to more peaceful pursuits. The latest record of its well directed energies is a bulletin on the food value of nuts and dried fried, comprehending the results of experiments conducted by the department in California. It has been determined that dried apples have a surprising value as a food product. Nine dietary studies and thirty-one digestive experiments were made, mostly with students who were willing to submit to the tests in consideration of the free board that was involved. To ummarize, it may be said that the chief nutriments in fruit consists of sugars and other carbohydrates, and in nuts of protein and fat. In other words, while both fruits and nuts furnish the body with energy, nuts furnish some building material, called protein, as well.

Some idea of the range may be gained from the fact that at ordinary retail prices in the United States, 10 cents ex pended for fresh grapes will supply the body for about 830 calories of energy, as compared with 6,600 calories for 10 cents worth of wheat flour. In the case of almonds, this sum will supply 0.08 pound protein and about 1,100 calories of energy and in the case of peanuts, 0.28 pound protein and about 2,800 calories, while expended for cheese it would provide 0.17 pound protein and about 1,300 calories, and for flour 0.46 pound protein, as well as the large amount of energy noted above. Alit is quite possible to obtain the needed protein and energy from a fruitarian diet, tentative dietary standard.

The two chrysanthemum shows made by the government gardeners opened last week. One is made by the propagating Brown, who for thirty years has had charge of the flower beds in the parks of Washington, and the other made by the gardeners at the Department of Agriculture. Both are magnificent in their completeness and variety. The number of varieties shown is not so large as will be seen in the public shows held in the large cities, but it is an even question if the perfection and rarity of the flowers is not guite in the lead. There are about 300 plants in all.

There is a good deal of rivalry between the two shows, and the public enters heartily into the spirit of the contest.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson estimates that the codling moth has done about \$23,000,000 worth of damage to the apple industry in the United States during the past year, which is a loss of \$3,000,000 To hold this hand."

He called on her the other night And held her hand, and told her how the world seemed bright Then, with a sudden rush of pluck, Said: "With a sudden rush of pluck. Said: "With I always had the luck."

To hold this hand." the past year, which is a loss of \$3,000,000 more than in the last four years. The secretary believes that one-fourth more apples would have been placed on the market had it not been for the codling moth, or about 12,000,000 barrels. The loss in home orchards, in which the percentage is far greater than in the commercial orchards, is estimated at \$3,000,000.

These estimates have been reached after thorough investigation of the apple industry in the United States by C. B. Simpson of the division of entomology, who has been engaged in the experiments for the past two years. Secretary Wilson regards the codling moth as undoubtedly the most destructive insect pest of the apple and pear and the occasion of greater loss than all the other insect enemies of these fruits combined, entailing an annual shrinkage of values exceeding \$20,000,000.

Statesmen in both branches of congress are preparing for the annual flow of oratory at the capital. As next year will bring another national campaign, including the election of members of congress, speeches will be prepared for use in congressional districts which are expected to

have much effect on the home constituents. Few of a congressman's constituents know or care how these speeches are prepared, but if the secret were told many a public man's reputation would be found resting upon the work of a faithful clerk or private secretary. All the speeches made in the senate and house do not represent the brain work of those who deliver them.

It is no uncommon thing for even some of the well known members of both branches to intrust to their secretaries the preparation of their speeches. Not many years ago a dignified senator who has had more or less to do with legislation affecting our foreign relations thought it incumbent upon him to make an address on the subject of the American outrages. He directed his secretary to prepare a speech on that subject and a very fine address was turned out upon the order. The senator read it over and complimented his secretary on the beautiful sentiments expressed and the general high tone of the speech. When he had finished explaining it he turned to its author and asked: "Where the devil is Armenia, anyway?"

SMILING REMARKS.

"Mildred, what brings that young man to the house so often?"
"Well, his mother's stepfather married a second cousin of my father's great aunt. We're trying to figure out what relation that makes him to me, and that can't be done in one evening."—Chicago Tribune.

"Don't you think you would be happler if you went to work?"
"I suppose so," answered Meandering Mike; "but dere's so many people feelin' dat way on de subject dat I ain't goin' to slip in an' spoil deir pleasure."—Washington Star.

Mr. De Style—This is what we New Yorkers call a foot ball game, Aunt Nanny.
Aunt Nanny of Lonelyville (viewing the players' togs)—Foot ball is it? You say foot ball? Huh, seems to me it's more ilke a masquerade ball.—New York Sun.

First Tramp-You'd better not go to that bouse.
Second Tramp-Why not?
First Tramp-Thing's don't harmonize

there.

Becond Tramp—What do you mean?

First Tramp—There's a dog at the front gate and a mat at the front door with "Welcome" on it.—Town Topics.

Lawyer (to promoter)—Is this your signature on this check for \$234,000,000?

Promoter—How much?

"Two hundred and thirty-four million dollars."

"Let me see the check. Oh. yes; that's my signature all right, but I hadn't noticed the amount when I signed it."—New York Press.

"You should remember that you are the servant of the people."
"I do remember it," answered Senator Sorghum. "And I don't believe that my Sorghum. "And I don't believe to accasional perquisites are proportionately any larger than those exacted by my own domestic employes."—Washington Biar.

Next evening, at the club, he held Another hand. Another hand.

He scooped the pot and fairly yelled:
"This beats the band!
Say, fellows, that was nip and tuck—
I wish I always had the luck
To hold this hand!"
—Philadelphia Press.

FOOT BALL DAYS.

Chicago Record-Herald. The foot ball days have come again, the gladdest of the year; One side of Willie's nose is gone, and Tom has lost an ear; Heaped on the field, the players jab, and punch, and claw, and tear. They knock the breath from those beneath and gouge without a care; They break each other's arms and legs, and pull joints out of place. And here and there is one whiteeth kicked from his face.

The freshmen and the sophomore, besmeared with grime and mud.
Go gallantly to get the ball and quit all
bathed in blood;
The senior knocks the junior down and
kicks him in the chest.
The high school boy is carried home and
gently laid at rest.
While here and there a crowded stand
collapses 'neath its weight.
And forty people set more than they paid
for at the gate. for at the gate.

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