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The ground hog still remains in his hole and the prospect is that he will stay there for another month.

Omaha's fireproof auditorium will be completed next summer. Then comes Omaha's million dollar fireproof hotel.

If Secretary Hay had been prime minister to the empress of China he would have been allowed to wear a peacock feather in his hat.

Russian laws are not wholly bad. A yellow journal of St. Petersburg is to be punished for publishing a false report of an alleged battle.

King Edward has always recognized a good thing when he sees it, which may account for his unusual friendliness to the new American duchess.

Having given power to the United States to restore order in Panama the constitution of the new republic certainly possesses elements of strength.

It is worthy of note that the first defeat of the advocates of the new fiscal policy for Great Britain occurred on the day after Chamberlain started for Egypt.

President Roosevelt is the first chief executive of the United States whose proclamation of neutrality had to pass half way around the globe to fulfill its mission.

The world may now resume its wonted round of business and pleasure. The press dispatches announce that there is no further danger of war between France and Slam.

If Turkey succeeds in confiscating all of the ammunition which will be shipped to Macedonia this spring the sultan may find himself prepared for war without expense.

Has the Independent Telephone company severed its diplomatic relations with the city council, or has it been persuaded by General Manager Lane to keep the peace?

It is to be hoped that the jangle over the paving specifications will be over before the Fourth of July, so as to give Omaha at least four months for laying new pavements and relaying worn out old pavements.

Despite the action of the czar in giving Admiral Alexieff entire control of the eastern situation things are not brighter for Russia. The admiral evidently needs more power rather than more authority.

The experience of the heirs of the late William L. Williams in England's probate court, proves that America is the best country in which Americans can die as well as the best in which they can live.

The canal discussion is to give place to consideration of the appointment of General Wood. The proteychisms of the last week will fade into insignificance when compared with the show that will begin there.

The republican congressional committees of the first and fourth district have issued their calls for conventions to nominate congressmen and district delegates to the national convention.

Before Baltimore people assume active building operations they should investigate the effect of wide streets upon the general health of the public and their advantage in case of fire. Baltimore's opportunity to demonstrate what can be done by an intelligent community in the way of building a modern city should not be passed by lightly.

IF JAPAN SHOULD WIN. There appears to be a feeling abroad and to some extent in this country that if Japan should win in her war with Russia the result might be a menace to the nations of the west. A Berlin dispatch says that the common talk in ministerial quarters there is that the contest in the far east is not simply one for territory in Korea or Manchuria, but rather a contest of civilization and of race ideals, and if one must choose between the white and the yellow, Germany stands by the white.

There are some people in the United States who entertain this apprehension. One such writing to an eastern paper submits the question whether it is desirable for civilization that Japan in its first encounter with a first-class European state should receive the tremendous stimulus to its self-importance which such a victory over Russia would give it.

It is almost inevitable, that their self-importance would rise to arrogant assumption that they were the foremost power in the world and in that feeling they would have Chinese sympathy.

We are unable to see any substantial reason for such apprehension in the event of Japan winning in the war with Russia. On the contrary it seems to us that the triumph of the Japanese would result to the advantage of every nation having rights and interests in China and the far east and that instead of inspiring Japan with a feeling hostile to the interests of the western world, it would induce her to cultivate more intimate relations with other powers and in this way to create throughout Asia a sentiment that would operate in the interest of peace and civilization.

With the approach of spring plans for making Omaha more beautiful should be perfected and public sentiment should be aroused to have the program carried out.

WHAT WILL IT DO WITH ITS SURPLUS? The enormous increase in the direct taxes for the maintenance of the public schools within the past five years is most effectively exhibited in the comparison of the direct taxes levied for the five preceding years and the relative average income of the schools from all sources during the two five-year periods.

Legal Ethics in Action. The Hon. Bourke Cockran, who says the United States is the "hoodlum" of the world, has no objection to being one of the hoodlums hired hands at \$5,000 a year.

Nature's Power and Manhood. When fire can raise a great city for twenty-four hours, wiping out man's handiwork and setting at naught man's most skillful warfare against it, one somehow acquires a new view of nature's sublime power and of man's insignificance.

Chances in Politics. "Senator," she asked, "do you think there is any chance for an honest, cultured and really able man in politics?" "Certainly," he replied. "I want to hire that kind of a man to write my speech on the ship subsidy bill."

effort to secure more lights for the district. Inasmuch as the lighting fund is already pawned in advance under contracts with the electric light, gas and gasoline companies, the only way to get more light to the Omaha View district is to transplant some of the lamps that overlap each other in other districts.

WAR AND BUSINESS. Whether or not the far eastern war will be of any benefit to the commercial interests of this country is a question which must be left to the determination of time.

As an eastern contemporary remarks, it is no more true of war than of conflagration or famine that one part of mankind can benefit by the disasters of another.

However, this country is perhaps in a rather more favorable position than any other in regard to the matter of providing the nations at war with what they may need, so that we may at least expect to get our share of the demand for supplies which Russia and Japan will have to buy abroad.

If it is true that Horace G. Burt is still drawing his monthly salary at the rate of \$35,000 a year, nobody can blame him for trying to have a good time in touring the world.

A prominent lawyer is quoted by the World-Herald as saying: "Judge Vinsonholder practically settles the contest in favor of Mr. Broadwell. If the ballots had been admitted it is likely it would have gone the other way."

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The National Magazine. Our state may have the golden corn, in the one plant we have which amply fulfills these conditions. It is peculiarly and absolutely American—never a kernel in the world elsewhere till carried from here by Columbus.

Up to \$805 \$400,000 a year was regarded as ample for the maintenance of the public schools. Assume that the increase of 20 per cent in school attendance since 1885 would justify an increase of 20 per cent in the disbursements, \$480,000 should have been ample for the year 1904, but with an increase of only 20 per cent in attendance the expenses of our public schools have risen more than 50 per cent, even if the income for 1904 falls \$100,000 below the estimate.

The Omaha View Improvement club has instructed its committee to make an

Republican Candidates. Custer County Republican: E. Royce, secretary of the State Banking board, has frequently mentioned a number of papers as a desirable candidate for commissioner of public lands and buildings.

North Platte Tribune: R. D. Harris of Sidney has been brought out by the Sidney Telegraph as a republican candidate for lieutenant governor, an action which we can heartily endorse.

Fairfax Herald: Now J. B. Dinsmore has announced his candidacy for the nomination for governor on the republican ticket.

Chappell Register: The western part of the state is going down to the state convention with its share of candidates for the office of governor.

Friend Telegraph: Hon. John B. Dinsmore of Sutton is announced as a candidate for the office of governor before the coming republican convention.

Alliance Times: The Telegraph suggests Robley D. Harris of Sidney for lieutenant governor and urges in his favor that the western part of the state is entitled to consideration.

Union News: It was no great surprise to the friends of J. B. Dinsmore in Sutton to learn through the state papers Wednesday morning of his intention to make the race for the nomination of governor.

Kearyne Hub: By way of standing up for Kearney and the newspaper fraternity regardless of politics, the New Era Standard nominates the editor of the Hub for election as member of the grand jury.

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Sketches of Places and People in the Thick of the Row. Korea and Coreans are well hardened to Japanese invasions. Though not a continuous performance, invasions have been frequent enough to impress the Coreans with the folly of New York. Several of the thrashings have reduced them to the unenviable position of the "innocent spectator," who too frequently gets the worst of it.

The peninsula is 600 miles long, from north to south, and 135 miles wide, but water facilities enable the Japs to cut the distance between the coast and troops close to the northern frontier where the Russians may be found.

It has several fine, ice-free harbors which Russia covets, and its rivers are navigable for long distances from the sea. The chief facilities to navigation are the strong currents, among the first Japanese navy bases.

A railway is in operation from Seoul, the capital, to the chief seaport, Chemulpo (pronounced Che-mul-po, with the accent on the second syllable), a distance of thirty miles.

The first invasion of Korea by the Japs was during the reign of Empress Jingoo, the first of her sex to hold down the throne of Nippon.

In those ancient days the Coreans were great warriors, of good and metal, far superior to the Japs, whom they subsequently taught the various arts, Empress Jingoo coveted the treasures of the Coreans, and informed the ruler of the peninsula that she had decided to go over on a shopping tour.

Thus equipped Empress Jingoo ordered the lines cast off and the great dragon kites, the collection of war junks and royal pirates with which history smiles headed for the domain of loot.

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Denver Best for Us. The United States is the great storehouse of the world's food supply and if our people cling to the policy of peace under which they have developed their resources and increased their means of production they will continue to feed other nations and add to their own wealth.



Consumption can certainly be cured. Not all cases, but very many. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is the principal medicine. Ask any good doctor.

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Roosevelt and Wall Street. Cause of Irritation in New York's Financial Center. Wall street is afflicted with a strange disease. It is a local irritation, as the physicians would say, and it should be called "Rooseveltphobia."

Wall street has no politics. But persuaded by this disease, that Roosevelt would bring in a foreign war or some other calamity in his second term, Wall street cast its vote for him.

What is the alternative? Suppose a democratic "conservative" candidate have as yet shown little strength. Who is strong? Is there any candidate in sight that Wall street could trust?

Josephine Hard in Four-Track News. Since Betty golf, my wit is going. No longer is my wifing tender. My very language is grossly tender.

Too many disregard a headache. I find that many of my patients who suffer continually from such a headache, do not think that it is anything very serious.

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