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When you see it in the red-headed evening yellow you will know that it is paid for.

Only one more chance to register. If you fail to register you will not be entitled to vote.

The appointment by the mayor of the Board of Review for 1904 reminds us that there is no escaping of death and taxes.

The fact that Candidate Davis is so quiet in West Virginia should warn the republican committee to look for an attack from an unexpected quarter.

So far no democrat or populist has offered to compare the record of any fusional state treasurer with that of the present republican incumbent.

While the result of the coming presidential election cannot be considered as in doubt, a lot of people are getting considerable pleasure out of pretending that it is.

Colonel Bryan is said to be making humorous speeches on his Nebraska trip. It is well that he gives democrats occasion to laugh before the votes are counted.

The election of Berge would be a proclamation that Nebraska had returned to populism. Can Nebraska afford to be advertised throughout the country in that way?

From their utter failure to develop influence it is fair to presume that the Parker Constitution clubs are weighted down by the intellectual ponderosity of their members.

If all Mr. Hitchcock's assertions are as wide of the truth as his reference to the "35,000 subscribers" to his newspaper organ, no wonder the percentage of fact to fiction is so small.

Populist Candidate Berge wants to compel by law every man to vote "even if he has to vote the republican ticket." He has evidently given up compelling them to vote the populist ticket.

A steamer plying between Philadelphia and Liverpool ran aground trying to avoid a fishing fleet. But there is nothing to show that the skipper mistook the boats for Japanese warships.

The "rights of neutrals" will have to be plainer before nations will cease to give aid and comfort to those belligerents whose success would be to the benefit of the neutral rendering the assistance.

Partisan politicians can make little out of the alleged crookedness of former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis, he having been elected to office three times on the democratic ticket and once on the republican ticket. Boodling certainly knows no party.

When you hear a man protest that he is for municipal ownership, but against trying the experiment this time, you may put him down as opposed to municipal ownership altogether—unless, indeed, he has been lured by the electric light monopoly clackers.

Missouri justice is certainly slow. One of the convicted St. Louis bootleggers has just died of a lingering disease while awaiting hearing of his appeal in the supreme court. The judges of this court were all elected before Joe Folk had become popular with the democratic party.

St. Petersburg hears that Great Britain is to ask Admiral Dewey to take part in the hearing of the North sea affair. If the American admiral consents Russian sailors who testify will have an opportunity to see a naval commander who can tell the difference between a trawler and a torpedo boat.

GIVING OUT ESTIMATES.

One of the reckless democratic statements, accepted and used by the candidate for the presidency, is the assertion that President Roosevelt had forbidden the publication of department estimates.

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LACK OF LABOR IN THE SOUTH.

In most parts of the south there is said to be a lack of labor, the large negro population not furnishing sufficient to meet the demand. It is stated that Mississippi planters are employing whole families of Mexicans and that there is a general movement in that state to get rid of the negro laborer so far as possible.

Some of the states of the south have been seeking to attract white laborers, but with little success. Although many of the immigrants to the United States come from southern countries and the south ought to attract them, yet the better class of them desire educational facilities for their children and the assurance of equal opportunities with natives for getting on in life and becoming citizens.

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AS A BUSINESS PROPOSITION.

It is expected that the acquisition of the water works by the city of Omaha will represent an investment by the taxpayers of \$3,000,000 or upward and will entail an additional expenditure immediately of approximately \$500,000 for extensions and betterments.

Those who are opposing Mr. Weller want the stockholders of the municipal corporation to put in charge of \$4,000,000 worth of their property a man who has nothing whatever to identify him with the permanent interests of the community; a man who pays no taxes except to the extent of about \$2 on his office furniture; an adventurer who has removed from Omaha several times since his first advent and can pick up and go again on twenty-four hours' notice without losing anything by forced sale of his goods and chattels; a former employe of the old water company and a disappointed applicant for employment as general manager of the reorganized water company.

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NOMINEES FOR LEGISLATURE

Full List of Men Chosen as Candidates in Nebraska. COMPOSITION OF NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY. Men Who Will Elect a United States Senator and Make and Amend Laws Are Named Here.

Following is a full list of the nominees for the legislature made by the various parties in the several districts of the state:

Table listing nominees for the legislature by district, including names and residences.

Midnight Rogues Are Busy. Burglars Resume Operations and Do Fairly Well for the First Night. Burglars resumed activity in Omaha Tuesday night, according to reports received at the police station.

Local Brevities. The city council has been warmly thanked in an official communication by Cadet Taylor and others for successful efforts culminated in the repairing of North Sixth street.

Religious Notes. J. Wyman Jones, the multi-millionaire and art patron, a brother-in-law of the late Senator M. A. Hanna, died in New York on Thursday.

JOHN L. KENNEDY. Hon. John L. Kennedy should be elected to congress. Because the Second congressional district should be represented in congress by a member of the dominant party.

Because the next administration will be republican. Because a democratic congressman who uses opportunity to assail the chief executive and the departmental chiefs can expect no favor at their hands.

Because there are more republicans in the Second district than there are democrats. Because the five other districts in Nebraska are represented by republican congressmen.

Because a republican member from this district would be able to get results in efforts on behalf of his constituents. Because a vote for Kennedy would be a vote to sustain the policies of the republican administration.

Because a vote for his opponent would be a vote against Roosevelt in the measure that he proposes to congress. Because it would be folly to try to avenge Mercur's defeat by voting this year against a republican nominee.

Because Kennedy merits the good will of all factions. Because everybody knows specifically the governmental principles upon which Kennedy is running.

Because personally Kennedy is a good man in all respects and entitled to the entire vote of his party. J. H. MILLARD, United States Senator.

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