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That independent telephone line seems to be very busy just now.

If not canals, maybe those marks on Mars are the skaters' figure eights.

The haughtiness of the soloists threatens to bring an era of stardust opera.

Neither Europe nor Asia seems to be able to guess the answer to that Knox Manchurian conundrum.

Almost any day we may expect to read announcements of a correspondence course in boy phenomena.

With those new auto roads running to the pyramids, maybe the old sphinx will wake up and hunk back.

Prevalence of railroad wrecks leads one to pin faith to the theory that the monorail is just as good as two.

The Bryn Mawr girls evidently want it understood that no barefoot gentlemen in Greek raiment need apply.

While those aviators are scouring the skies, they might polish up any missing polar stars they run across.

Boston is already so absorbed in its cat show that it seems to have forgotten that Fitzgerald ate the canary.

If Senator Gore is accurate in speaking of Mr. Taft as "altruistic," it must be said that appearances are deceitful.

Recent events have demonstrated anew that one of the component parts of the American smile is a good set of teeth.

Keeping track of the changes in the official railway world these days necessitates a card index and a private secretary.

Can it be possible the college girl has degenerated so that the advice of that professor that she should flirt was necessary?

In its game with the gentle art of highway robbery the Chicago police force seems to be establishing a record batting average.

It may be true that nothing lasts like leather, but is that any excuse for the leather combine to try to wear out the soles of the pedestrians?

It is apparent from the White House attitude that no nice old lady congressman who snarl up their knitting need expect help to untangle the skein.

Looking back over the list of United States marshals in Nebraska, Marshal Warner may congratulate himself on getting an unaccounted second term.

One of the New England papers wants to know what has become of the old-time show that men used to wear. Probably gone to hunt the tippet and pulse warmer.

It is to be noted that when "Champ Clark Plays Cannon Mercilessly" he prefers to do it on the lecture platform in Ohio rather than on the floor of the house at Washington.

A truly enterprising Arctic adventurer might have made convincing exhibitions of his dashes over the polar seas by utilizing some of the convenient ice bergs grouped along the water fronts of our river metropolises as photographic backgrounds.

Taft on Conservation.

Congress can no longer evade its responsibility in the matter of the conservation of the public domain, now that the president has so exhaustively presented his review of the whole subject.

More Encouragement.

We regret to note that one of our representative republicans who once ran for mayor of Omaha as the populist nominee and more lately bore the honor of being president of the Fontanelle club, has confided to the democratic World-Herald secretly for publication his opinion that things republican in this country have gone to smash.

The Ballinger investigation involves so much of research that it is likely to be extended over a considerable period, but that is a separate matter, a side issue, and in the meantime the real work of conservation and reclamation may be very properly expedited by congressional approval and action on the recommendation in the president's message.

Illegal Insurance Combination.

At a time when the state of Illinois is conducting an inquiry into the matter of fire insurance rates, and when the complaining voice is heard in various cities that excessive burdens are imposed upon policyholders, there comes from New Jersey a judicial decision that will encourage the hope of regulation of fire insurance upon a fair and equitable basis.

An Eye-Opener.

The demand made on Governor Schallenberger to institute ouster proceedings under the Sackett law against the mayor of Norfolk for alleged failure to suppress disorderly houses indicates how busy the governor may keep himself if he starts in on wholesale removal of local officials whose official conduct does not suit everybody.

Troubled Alfonso.

Uneasy lies the crowned head of Spain with the recrudescence of the nightmares indicative of a tottering throne. Alfonso, suffering from a malady which requires serious surgical attention, in his young manhood has come into a harvest of political and social taxes sown by his forebears.

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In Other Lands.

Side lights on what is transpiring among the Near and Far Nations of the North.

One of the chief glories of the French people is their distinct national trait, and its steadfast growth is envied by other races. Other nations have greater wealth, in none is the wealth of the nation more widely diffused.

Political Drift.

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