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orarily should have The Bee

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changed as often as requested.

Here's where the ground hog as a

weather prophet goes into the discard.

Incidentally the big blizzard up in

the Dakotas has not quieted the polit-

ics of those two states.

Even if you don't feel equal to own-

ing an auto as yet, you can go and look

at them at the Auto show.

The Zelaya book on the Nicaraguan

political and bellicose difficulties ought

to be named the "Scrap Book."

Omaha to Philadelphia: Accept

sincere sympathy from sad experi-

ence with our own street car strikes.

The Indiana fracas in which two mu-

sicians fought a duel to the death

might well be called a fatal ragtime

duet.

According to Omaha's experience, it

is almost as hard to keep our preach-

ers as it is to keep our base ball

players.

The postoffice reports show that Dan

Cupid did not allow the higher price

of valentines to interfere with his trade

in mergers.

Edgar Howard's high opinion of

William Jennings Bryan, despite his

embrouse of county option, evidently

does not extend to "Brother Charlie."

Just what the ultimate consumer

will say when the findings of the com-

mittee now investigating the higher

cost of living arrive may resemble an

eruption of Vesuvius.

"The way the pulpit looks from the

peep" is to be discussed in all the

churches in an eastern city in the near

future. The preachers of that town

have boundless nerve.

So little has been heard of Incel-

lor Day recently that one is inclined

to ask what has become of him. Oh,

please do not disturb him. The in-

quiry is prompted only by curiosity.

The concrete battleship at the mouth

of Manila harbor would not amount to

much in these days, when a twelve-

inch shell can go through ten feet of

reinforced concrete with little diffi-

culty.

"If there is to be any hazin in West

Point it must be legalized," say the au-

thorities. That is all right, but if the

post mortem proves that it was not

legal what good is it going to do the

victim?

Ex-Governor Vardaman says he will

not be a closed incident just because

the Mississippi legislature has turned

him down; from which one is led to

believe that he is to be "continued in

our next."

Nebraska seems to have several

statesmen who say, "I hope it will

never be necessary for me to become a

candidate for office again," but who

show no disposition to run far to avoid

the necessity.

Remember that the populist state

platform of two years ago contained a

county option plank and that Governor

Shallenberger fled as a populist and

accepted the populist nomination. Is

a platform binding?

Another victory for the fair sex.

The New York custom officials have

been instructed to allow all "ladies"

entering that port to carry 300 cigar-

ettes each without duty as being part

of a necessary toilet equipment.

George Washington

"First in peace, first in war, first in

the hearts of his countrymen." In

every community in the United States

and in its possessions the twenty-sec-

ond day of February is celebrated and

the praises of the first general-in-chief

and the first president of the United

States are sung. The birthday of

Washington, who stood more than any

contemporary for the cause of liberty

without a murmur, and took more dis-

tinguished countrymen than any other,

deserves commemoration. George

Washington, the man, as well as the

soldier and the president, is a great

character in history, ranking high for

his patriotism, self-sacrifice and un-

selfish devotion to liberty.

The people of this country are hard

workers and hard players. When it

is work, there seems to be nothing too

hard to be attempted or to be accom-

plished. Americans play hard as well

as work hard. This has been marked

especially in the observance of our

holidays, patriotic and religious. But

recently a tendency has been noted to

drop much of the frivolity, especially

with regard to holidays commemorating

national events and to arouse some of

the slumbering patriotic fervor in the

bosom of every true citizen.

There is plenty for us to be proud of

and there are to be plenty of great

deeds accomplished in the future of

which we will also have reason to be

proud. Our people need to be taught,

however, how to respect, revere and

honor those who have done much that

the nation may be what it is. One

feature of American life has a detract-

ing effect. Our political campaigns

are so full of crimination and recrimina-

tion that too many people sneer at

those who are high in office, thus de-

tracting from the respect due them,

and, wherever possible, detracting from

their power.

But happily this condition does not

exist long, nor is it a deep spirit. In

time of war every patriotic American

would rise to the defense of his coun-

try, and we have sufficient grounds to

believe that there is plenty of patri-

otism in times of peace. But while we

brag to others about what America

can do, whom we can thrash in inter-

national war, if necessary, and how

big the United States really is, it would

be a good thing to remember that it

is we judge ourselves at heart we are

judged by others. There is room for

an increased respect for our nation's

heroes and their heroic achievements,

and a greater regard for the men who

are doing things now for the advance-

ment of the nation and making possi-

ble greater achievements in the days

yet to come.

Millionaire vs. Professor.

The recent attack by Richard T.

Crane, the millionaire head of a big

Chicago firm, upon the teaching pro-

fession as being of no use to the mod-

ern business world is still the subject

of comment. Mr. Crane had to write

a book to say that if a \$2,000 a year

professor is content to teach a young

man how to go out and earn a \$10,000

salary he is either a hypocrite or is

not able to do what he says he can. In

every way Mr. Crane attacks the

teacher as being a drowsy and charges

that the millions spent annually on

universities, colleges, technical and

agricultural schools and law and medi-

cal schools are simply "swallowed up

in the most gigantic swindle of the

age."

Those who know the eccentricities

of Mr. Crane will not take his out-

break too seriously. His whole argu-

ment is a tirade against the teaching

profession for absorbing so much of

the nation's wealth by which to train

the youth of the country to do the

work of the world, and Mr. Crane has

seen to it that his own children have

had the best education available.

Henry Watterston, in speaking of the

strange attitude taken by Millionaire

Crane, quotes this bit of homely phi-

losophy: "Some people have got money

and hasn't got another thing on God's

green earth." As a business man Mr.

Crane is a successful pusher, but as a

citizen he is apparently a back-tracker,

and socially he is a grouch.

A Neglected Opportunity.

While Americans are making much

ado about the "open door" of Man-

churia and the fact that our commerce

finds a more difficult market in the

orient than formerly, we are guilty, as

in the old legend, "of forgetting the

best." We are looking beyond our

own threshold to something, which,

after being won, will be comparatively

of smaller value as against the coun-

tries to the south of us lying under

the protection of the Monroe doctrine

with the accumulated riches of cen-

turies but partially developed.

South America, our southern sister

in the western hemisphere, is an op-

portunity for American enterprise and

thrift. At present the nations of Eu-

rope have been getting the benefit of

the South American market, which

amounts annually to \$260,000,000. As

for her exports, the United States buys

\$44,000,000 worth of coffee annually

and sells her but \$38,000,000 worth of

merchandise in return. All the rest of

the market has been for the benefit of

European trade, and the great wealth

of the continent has been flowing into

the coffers of European merchants.

The great South American continent is

just beginning to develop. North

Americans do not realize the progres-

siveness of Latin America. Buenos

Ayres has a population of 1,100,000

people and ranks fourth in size among

the cities in the western hemisphere.

It is one of the most enterprising trade

centers in the world and teems with

commerce. Rio Janeiro, though not

so large, hums with business and

Valparaiso is a close rival. All of

these cities are alive with business

activity and have progressed in arts

and education to a wonderful extent.

Our commercial interests would

make a mistake in paying exclusive at-