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Placating the enemy is a poor way to whip it.

Thus far March has completely fooled Rev. Hicks.

Uncle Joe modestly declines the offer to become floor leader of the minority.

Governor Dix has at last begun to act like a man who wants to be re-elected.

The agitation for the commission form of city government is a good ad, anyway.

It must be annoying to Boss Murphy to have his authority questioned that way.

If Omaha wants the meeting of the next Conservative congress, now is the time to speak up.

It remained for the colonel to bring the Alamo into the limelight of the Mexican situation.

The banks of the Rio Grande once more threaten to become as famous as those of the Wabash.

It seems a burning shame to deny Richmond Pearson Hobson a place on that Texas border somewhere.

It may be recalled that Porfirio Diaz was educated for the church. What a great war minister he would have made.

What a shock all these demonstrations in Mexico and Texas must be to our peace loving amiable friend, Mr. Carnegie.

A New York minister says blushing is a lost art with women. Maybe he no longer notices it because he has quit flirting.

The real reason for sending the troops there must have been for the purpose of giving the soldiers a well deserved vacation.

Then the Oregon plan of government is not to be accepted as the most perfect form of popular government ever devised by man.

Colonel Roosevelt addressed the people of Houston, Tex., on "Civic Righteousness." That man Roosevelt is certainly practical.

Another power canal is being built for Omaha—on paper. If this keeps up we will have more cheap water power than we can use.

No, according to the best diagnosis capital removal is not dead, but merely sleeping until it can make a flying start with an initiative petition.

Among those who also ran for the office of commissioner at the recent Seattle election was a newspaper reporter. Our congratulations to him on his defeat.

A sifting committee? What for? Thought this was to be a legislature in which every member was to have just as much voice and power as any other member.

If it is true that the executive and State department differed as to the wisdom of sending troops to Texas, the State department may have ample time to approve what has been done before exposing itself to criticism.

No matter how the legislature votes, Omaha will continue to be the medical and surgical center of this section, because it has the physicians and surgeons, and the hospital and clinical facilities for them to do their work right.

Already one American soldier has been killed as a result of the insurrection. He killed himself at Leavenworth just as the band struck up "The Girl I Left Behind Me." He probably will not be missed when the fighting starts.

Corporation Tax Law Valid.

Affirming the validity of the corporation tax law the United States supreme court bases its decision on the very point on which the government's defense turned, that it is not a tax on incomes from corporate investments, but an excise tax on the transaction of corporate business.

Notwithstanding the theory that this is a tax on the doing of business, it works out in practice as a tax on the earnings of the stockholders. But at the rate of 1 per cent upon all net earnings over and above \$5,000, it should not operate as a burden to any interest.

Justice Day, in delivering the court's decision, takes occasion to defend the publicity clause of the law, a provision emphasized by the president in urging the passage of the bill. So long as corporations are protected in their rights and relations with respect to their competitors he believes this provision should not be objectionable, but rather essential to the successful working of the law.

Bryan and Wilson.

Mr. Bryan's meeting with Governor Woodrow Wilson as the latter's guest at his home was, of course, not to discuss politics, but Mr. Bryan is not taking dinner with Governor Harmon even on Sunday.

So long as Governor Harmon, not Governor Wilson, is the man supposed to be preferred of "the interests," democrats may find a Bryan-Wilson alliance vital in determining their contest for leadership.

Nor is there possibility of Mr. Bryan's getting any further from the front of the stage in democratic politics than he is right now. He himself admits he is not in retirement.

Americans on the Border.

The presence of American soldiers on this side of the Mexican border may be justified by the demands of neutrality obligations, but the presence of Americans as soldiers in the rebel army on the other side of this border is not so easily justified.

The report that a young American is leading a band of insurgents, composed chiefly of other Americans, in the vicinity of Juarez must be a matter of humiliation and disgust to the people of this country who are taking sane views of the Mexican revolution.

And it is unfortunate, but natural, the opposition papers at home choose to play politics with this action. Simply because the state or war department or the White House has not seen fit to disclose all of its plans and purposes in detail, explaining its moves in advance, should not afford excuse for wilfully distorting or misconstruing motives.

Belligerent Propagandists.

Miss Sylvia Pankhurst may be wasting her time storming San Francisco. A city that has withstood the tempests as it has is not going to fall for the hurrah of this London suffragette.

Yet, we are a patient and tolerant folk, easily amused, ready to be cajoled, practical—we realize that even crusaders have to live. Emma Goldman and Mrs. Nation never have been denied a hearing in this country.

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People Talked About

James Mansell, an employe of the Hastings (England) Corporation, has just received his medal for taking part in the storming of the Taka forts, more than fifty years ago.

A wealthy woman in New York has given as a memorial to her dead husband \$5,000 to be used as a fund for injured firemen of the city. This sort of a monument is one which more than the costliest marble will make a man's memory honored and cherished.

Joe Clark, of Junction City, Perry county, Ohio, has so many offices he does not know what to do. Whenever there is a vacancy in an office in that city they say: "O, give it to Joe," and they do. Now he wishes to get rid of some of his offices and has asked the attorney general for relief.

The World-Herald is trying to hitch The Bee up with Representative Hatfield. The Bee declines to be go hitched. Mr. Hatfield is the original dry-initiative-and-referendum - Bryan democrat, and must continue to look

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