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The democrats have thirty investigations started, none finished.

Onawa, Ia., comes to the front with the first rowboat drowning of the season. Next.

Forest Fires Burn With Unabated Fury.—Headline. And conservation goes marching on.

A Baltimore man was arrested at the altar, which probably will be used as another argument against matrimony.

It is not going to be such a dull year, after all—Kansas is preparing to resubmit its state-wide prohibition proposition.

Mr. Carnegie is still giving money to help pay for church organs, but, of course, with no idea of having them pipe his praises.

In St. Louis the boosters have organized a "Get-Together" movement. It should include both the Cardinals and the Browns.

Now that charges of alleged bribery have arisen from the Mexican situation, we may assume the war is on a practical footing.

If lightning nearly struck the capital at Washington the other day it must have been attracted by those democratic probes sticking up.

What city in Omaha's class can show up more country clubs to the population, all of them prosperous and with membership fully recruited?

Still, some people believe that before the thing is over we shall have to do just what Senator Stone is being severely criticised for urging done in Mexico.

The irreverent Washington Post profanes the sanctity of our special coronation ambassador by referring to him as "Jack" Hammond. We protest.

The attention of the house democratic investigators is respectfully directed to the rumor that somebody has offered \$300,000 to rebel leaders to throw the fight.

The scientist who tells us that the climate of Mars is very much like that of our earth might go on and specify what part of the earth he meant, Texas, Africa or Nebraska.

For the benefit of the auto speeders we suggest that the city authorities take special pains to keep the thoroughfares leading to and from the police station in perfect condition.

Evidently the Water board has concluded that the urgent necessity of an additional main from the Florence pumping station is not so urgently necessary as it was supposed to be.

The average city man who cultivates a ten-foot garden patch, out of which he gets possibly \$5 worth of truck in the season, too often does so at the expense of about \$50 worth of clothes.

Having gotten as far as the city attorney, if those highwaymen will now only stick-up Mayor "Jim" and a few of the councilmen, the money needed to put on more policemen will be forthcoming.

The selection by the hold-up gentry of the city attorney as a fit subject for their operations testifies to their desperation, even though it may not be specially complimentary to their perspicacity and discriminating judgment.

The high cost of living is a good enough morgan, but it will not explain the startling increase in the cost of running the county hospital, particularly as the general average of foodstuff prices has been less this year than last year. The figures on this look very much like a Senecambian in the county hospital woodpile.

Crops.

The government forecast gives hope for another record-breaking crop year. It estimates the aggregate value of all farm products this year at \$8,026,000,000, which exceeds last year's figures by \$104,000,000.

Back of this official forecast some statistics have become available through commercial sources in New York that reflect a remarkable advance on the farm this year, confirming the popular opinion that thus far this has been a nearly perfect growing season.

Winter wheat, for instance, for which last year such general apprehension was felt, and justly so, shows marked improvement in condition as compared with one year ago.

The research made shows that this year also a much smaller area of winter wheat land has been abandoned because of the failure of the seed through unfavorable weather conditions.

Unwieldy Lawmaking Bodies. The demand is steadily growing the country over for centralizing official authority with the view of increasing efficiency.

Reciprocity with Omaha. Commenting on the coming entertainment by Omaha of Nebraska editors when they hold their state convention here next month, the Wayne Herald urges attendance of rural publishers on the meeting to bring about closer relations with Omaha.

Keep Pushing Ahead. A Wall street paper expresses concern that in the west there should be a feeling of discouragement over the business outlook, while in the east this feeling has been supplanted by one of cheer and confidence.

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Army Gossip

Representative government is not a failure. The World-Herald believes in the initiative and referendum, but civilization would not be a failure without them—World-Herald.

Chaplain Charles M. Brewer, of the Sixth field artillery, stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., has been ordered to trial before a court-martial at that place.

It has been decided by the War department to reduce the clothing allowance of the army in the case of re-enlisted men from \$5.70 to \$3.00, which will represent a saving of \$600,000 a year in expenses in that direction.

On the Barzain Center. Cleveland Plain Dealer. Anyone can have the Ohio state senate for the asking. Ohio does not want it. Ohio would gladly trade it for a plug-nickel, and throw in a reasonable bonus.

The supreme court has decided that a federal statute is as good as a federal fence against trespassing on the national forest reserves. This saves Uncle Sam the cost of building millions of miles of fences.

There will be tears and aching hearts for this. Dodging a Loaded Bill. New York Tribune. The democratic majority in the house of representatives has developed a holy horror of Monday sessions.

Further changes have been authorized by the War department in the uniforms of the army. In the case of the service coats, cotton and woolen, for officers and enlisted men, the turned-down collar will be replaced by the standing collar and the patch pocket will take the place of a belt's pocket.

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NEBRASKA POLITICAL GOSSIP.

Fairbury News: Colonel Bryan says "the democratic party is marching." But he neglects to state whether the band is playing a charge or a retreat.

Hastings Tribune: Willis E. Reed of Madison, who was defeated last year for a seat in the upper house of congress by Gilbert M. Hitchcock, believes in the early bird getting the worm.

Grand Island Independent: Ex-Governor Shallenberger follows up W. H. Thompson quick and fast as to announcing his candidacy for the United States senate.

Omaha Record: The Central City Republican wants to "eliminate Norris Brown." Sure! Why not? It might also be a good thing to burn down the state house and chase the governor to the woods.

Schuyler Sun: Wednesday's dailies announced that W. H. Thompson of Grand Island would be a candidate for United States senator to succeed Brown.

York Times: Congressman Sloan is not only able to understand the sentiment of the section he represents, but is able to state it in congress in a way that commands attention and the respect of his colleagues.

Father (having caught his son in a lie): Haven't I always told you to tell the truth? Son—Yes, father, but you also told me never to become the slave of a habit—Boston Transcript.

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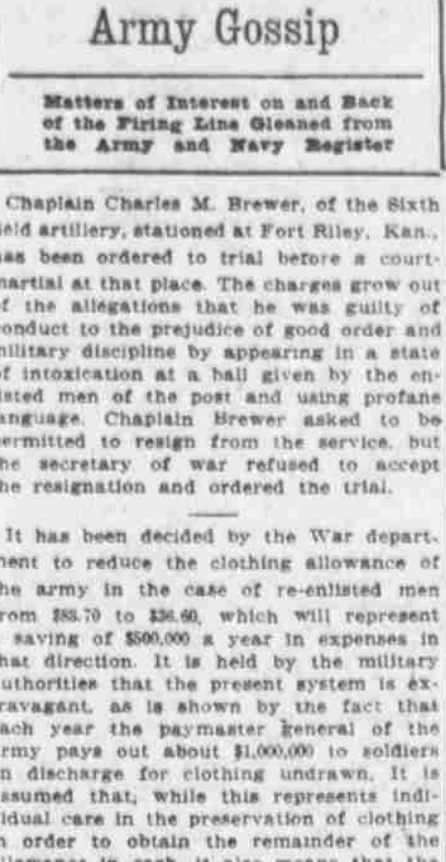
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Mr. Struckoff: "That there sculptor fellow says he's got to make a bust of me. Mrs. Struckoff—Henry, it's just terrible the way you do talk, say 'bust,' not 'bust'—Philadelphia Record.

"I spent Sunday in the country with a well-known speculator and even in the walk he took me, he couldn't forget his all-abounding pursuit." "Who, what did he do?" "The very first thing was to make a run on a bank."—Baltimore American.

"My head aches so," groaned the customer. "That I don't care a snap whether I live or die!" "The drug store salesman said, 'you might try one or two of these headache powders.'"—Chicago Tribune.

"Our new bookkeeper seems to have a wonderful grasp of detail." "That's right," declared the junior partner. "He knows the records of most of all the ball players."—Washington Herald.

"In eating well, I praise the food," quoted the garrulous boarder as he requested his third helping of chicken. "There is such a thing as overdoing the praise. Mr. Player," returned the landlord, "having the neck of the bird on his plate—Boston Transcript.

IN THE MIDST OF LIFE. E. T. Hopkins in Westminster Gazette. The Jester won to the mountain peak. And turned his gaze behind— "Was that a path for a wren or hawk? "Thank God that I was blind.

The sunlit stretch where I laughed so loud. Did it skirt that precipice? The bridge where I stood to sketch the cloud. Did it span that black abyss? "When I turned aside to the little stream. Was that somber tarn or pool? Was the eagle's swoop in the evening gleam. On the bones I see from here?" He faced to the front again; his sight could scarce discern the track. The slope on the left with mist was white. And the wood below was black. Into a hollow just ahead. The pathway crept a long— "Enough is hid for mirth," he said. And the curlew heard his song.

People Talked About



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A combination of three children, some matches and a windy day destroyed twenty-two buildings and contents valued at \$90,000 in Harrington, Me., last week.

Within two weeks three aviators have been killed. Rene Veillon fell 3,000 feet at Shanghai. Lieutenant G. M. E. Kelly, U. S. A., fell in making a landing at San Antonio. And Herr Bekemuller ran into a building in Berlin.

Mrs. Jersey Benedict Gessner, a lawyer in New Orleans inherits her fortune and much of her legal business from her father. She is reported to have lost but one face and to receive the same fees that would be paid to a man. She comes from a family of lawyers.

Nathan Dixon of Miner's Mill, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, is without a place to store his winter vegetables, the seeds beneath his house having dropped into the ground. The loss came about through a cavern at the workings of the Pine Ridge quarry. Investigation shows that the cavern is a bell-shaped one and is fifty feet deep and about twelve feet in diameter.

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