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Where is that new universal language, Esperanto, these hot days?

Lorimer out, Archbald at bat, Hanford on deck, and the recall in the hole.

It looks as if they were blasing a trail under Governor Bleasde of South Carolina.

The prohibitionists are determined to fight with spirit this fall, yet it is to be a dry fight.

Not a word from Armageddon since the Chicago convention. Are we still standing there?

Omaha will never be in the "city beautiful" class until it tackles the billboard nuisance for a finish fight.

As soon as Deacon Hemphill left his dear South Carolina for New York, the governor of his old state got into trouble.

Jack Johnson says he has retired from the ring, and to prove it has bought a saloon and pitched in to make an honest living.

The king of Sweden showed he was a good loser by giving our Yankee boys and the others a big dinner after the Olympic was over.

Disappointed politicians have been forming third parties all these years, but when has a third party done away with bosses or bossism?

That begs the question, however, whether a moving picture show adjacent to a church would be competition or added drawing power.

How does Colonel Harvey expect to square himself with Colonel Waterston for supporting Wilson without first exacting an apology?

To give credit where credit is due, one must admit that Edward Hines had a big hand in unseating Lorimer. He "put him over" both ways.

If there is ever a time when a consumer can bear up cheerfully under the news that anthracite coal will cost \$12 a ton, it is now. It will be different later.

Despite repeated assurances that Nebraska democrats were never more harmonious, indications are plentiful that this harmony is not of the brand thick enough to cut with a knife.

What does Governor Wilson mean by conferring with Underwood and proceeding with plans for his campaign when he will not even know until August 7, that he has been nominated?

With its substantial increase in assessment totals reported to the state board, Douglas county is entitled to the benefit of the most-favored-nation clause when the rate comes to be fixed.

The treaty under which the Panama was authorized as read by all the students of it gives the United States the right to fix tolls on the canal, but Johnny Bull cannot yet see why he should not exercise this right, himself.

The architect complains that the delay in court house construction imposes on him great additional expense for supervision after the time the work should have been finished. When the settlements come to be made the lawyers will doubtless have their lining.

Our reform democratic sheriff is not coming up to the specifications on which he secured the political support of both the Anti-Saloon league and the saloon people in one and the same campaign. The feat of riding two horses going in opposite directions has been attempted several times, but never successfully.

America, a World-Beater.
America has achieved a distinction at Stockholm that is worth while. Her strong, agile, fleet-footed young men have excelled the nations of the world in the arena of the world at a man's game. This, the most powerful of nations in peace and war, in commerce and diplomacy, could ill have afforded to take even second rank in this Olympic, and because she was represented by the best type of sterling young manhood she was saved from the sacrifice and kept in first place. Our splendid athletes have set a wholesome example of leadership before an attentive world. We owe them much for their triumph, which is really greater than might have been expected.

Of course, the United States is getting used to excellence in sports and athletics. And the best of such excellence is that it cannot be achieved without dint of right living, so that a moral aspect attaches to the physical supremacy. It is said that the ancient Greeks, after winning their Olympian triumphs, repaired to the sequestered places where exulting and adoring partisans soothed the tired laurel crowned victors with the sweet nectar of the gods. But that unmade the victors. American athletes are not achieving physical fame at the expense of physical strength and mental poise. It is probable that the old Greek would be a mere pigmy as compared with our modern American Olympian hero.

What is He Going to Do About It?
Nebraska republicans are accorded membership in the republican national committee with the purpose and understanding that each member shall look after and actively promote the interests of the party and its standard bearers in his state. What is Nebraska's new member of the national committee going to do about it? When he asked for votes for this position in the recent primary, he sent personally signed letters broadcast in which he said: "While I am a great admirer of Senator La Follette, I am a warm supporter of Colonel Roosevelt. However, I am first a republican, and whoever is nominated will receive my hearty support if I am chosen national committeeman."

Taft and Sherman were nominated by the same convention that made the letter writer a member of the national committee. "Hearty support" does not mean sitting still when a fight is on. What is he going to do about it?

Practical Politics.
Although Mr. Belmont does not just remember the exact amount he contributed to the Parker campaign of 1904, he is satisfied it was in the neighborhood of \$250,000. Mr. Ryan, Mr. Morgan and others doubtless did as well by the democrats that year as did Mr. Belmont. It could not have been, therefore, impractical politics that defeated Judge Parker. And evidently if the astute Roger Sullivan has his say, impractical politics is not going to obtrude itself this year to trip up Prof. Wilson, guileless as he may be at playing the game upon purely practical lines. But his good friend, Roger Sullivan, is not and there are others just as pragmatic as Mr. Sullivan, who suggests a little pot of \$1,000,000 to start with, as a sort of bonus of good faith, as it were, to get the brethren with grievances well in line for Wilson and Marshall.

A Jealous Senate.
The senate's adoption of the resolution denouncing "any attempt on the part of the president to exercise his office to influence a vote on questions within the senate's exclusive jurisdiction," undoubtedly has some personal animus in it, but in the broader light it is a protest against the encroachment of executive authority upon legislative prerogatives, a tendency quite marked in late years. It was most persistent during the administration of President Roosevelt, and President Taft, where he has followed it, has simply acted in line of precedent. It is possible to attach some ire to the resolution since it was introduced by Senator Bailey, who may have been seeking this means of evening up on the president for advocating Lorimer's expulsion. On the other hand, Bailey has been one of the most consistent sticklers for senatorial prerogative and this action accords with his record. Those republican senators who, under all circumstances, stood for the aggressive Roosevelt policies and therefore helped to bring about this pressure by the executive on legislative authority, and who voted for this resolution rebuking the president, are the ones most inconsistent. In their case, one is forced to wonder what would have been their action had Roosevelt instead of Taft been the object of Bailey's attack.

The city of Lincoln is planning improvements and betterments for its water works system. Still, it has been able so far to keep the hose running after 8 o'clock in the morning, which is more than our new management of our water plant has done. Question: If "Brother-in-law Tommy" Allen had known that Belmont alone put \$250,000 into the pot in 1904, would he have been content with a paltry \$15,000?

HOW MAN'S LIFE MAY BE PROLONGED

Wisdom of Solomon and Researches of Metchnikoff Agreeably Compared.
New York Post.

Prof. Metchnikoff has begged the reporters not to speak of him as a Mephistopheles, or of his latest discovery as the elixir of eternal youth. Alas, it becomes evident only too soon that the now celebrated glyco-bacter is not the magic remedy after which the heart of man has lusted. The great scientist has sought for years a weapon against Time, and the hardening of the arteries. He has studied the way of the lactic bacillus. He has gone to the dog and considered his intestines, and the only wisdom he has gained is that the injection of the "sugar bacillus" into the human system will stave off the advance of old age, provided—and there's the rub; there always is a very important, very onerous "provided" to be dealt with.

If I should suddenly die tomorrow, says Prof. Metchnikoff, it would not disprove my theories, because I began late in life. But the man who has barely reached middle life might very properly begin with every hope of arriving at the best results. At the beginning of middle life to begin preparation for old age. At 40 years to begin shaping one's conduct so that one may live to be 100 years old. No, this is not Castiglione's elixir, of which a drop sends new fire through shrunken veins and rears up fire through the collapsing frame. It is simply a restatement in specific terms of the old belief that eternal vigilance is the price of anything really worth preserving, like life everything else.

Under these conditions the secret of long life has never been withheld from the knowledge of men. The author of Proverbs long ago hid upon numerous ways of postponing the ravages of arteriosclerosis. The pursuit of wisdom will do it. Fear of the Lord will do it. Submission to reproof will do it. The practice of mercy will do it. This is not putting the case in biological terms; but the highest biology today recognizes the existence of the spiritual factor. "The certain element on which the Russian savant has counted," says one writer of Prof. Metchnikoff, "must not be overlooked—the suggestion or moral impression which stimulates the organism. Sufferers from old age will receive with the glyco-bacters some excellent advice on regimen and digestive education, and the aged will find themselves doing excellently. Here is the basis for a real understanding between the wisdom of Pasteur and the wisdom of Proverbs. King Solomon will readily meet Prof. Metchnikoff half-way. A diet of sour milk plus the practice of charity; glyco-bacters reinforced by keeping the mind on high ideals; abstention from excessive use of meat; going hand in hand with abstention from evil thoughts—there is every opportunity.

No, the world today is not interested in the prolongation of life. It would not be willing to pay the price if that thing should actually be had. A small, old-fashioned minority there may be to whom a protracted healthy old age will appeal. From them, Prof. Metchnikoff's glyco-bacters and lactic bacillus will receive respectful consideration. But even with them, as we have said, the mere biological specific will not suffice. Before men will attain their centenaries in considerable numbers, some scientist will have to inoculate them with the bacillus of patient labor, of simple ideas, and of placid emotions.

FALSE LIGHTS OF BOHEMIA

Lure of Artistic Paris that Leads Only to Disappointment.
Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Paris correspondent of the New York Sun makes the suicide of a girl from the American middle west in Paris, the text for an argument against the utterly folly of American parents who send their daughters to Paris, without adequate chaperonage, to attempt artistic careers. He points out the fact that the American girl who is left to her own devices seeks the easy-going Paris "pension" because the strictly respectable French boarding housekeepers have French ideas of how the "jeune fille" should be protected, and how her conduct should be regulated, and these ideas clash with American notions of liberty. In the free-and-easy establishment the American girl finds what cheap fiction has taught her to regard as a truly Bohemian atmosphere. She may keep any company she chooses, lead any life she likes, rove through any disreputable quarter of Paris, visit any questionable resort and "see life"—the life that has been glossed for the immature and uninformed in cheap fiction. Human curiosity leads her on. Human frailty in many cases takes its logical course. There are a few suicides. There are many cases, quite as lamentable, of adaptation of standards to changed conditions resulting from "Bohemian" experience. And Paris returns to America many a Magdalene who is by no manner of means a Magda.

Successes in painting, sculpture, music, literature and other branches of art are few. The pathetic Bohemian art student who starves in a garret and finally finds the hemlock, misguided but uncompromising, when confession of failure might bring relief from home in a rarer type than the Bohemian whose remittances are sufficient, and whose physical welfare is guaranteed, but who does not become an artist, and whose unfettered existence in free-and-easy French boarding houses and Latin quarter society has an effect that illustrates the fact that even an American girl may not be turned at large safely in a European city. It was in Paris that the term "Bohemian" since such abused and such mis-understood, originated. But Henri Murger's Bohemia—idealized, no doubt, in the poet's prose in "Scenes de la Vie de Boheme"—was not exactly suitable as a finishing school for the American girl brought up in the way she should go and expected not to depart from it. And too often all that the Bohemian of the period in Paris means is food and lodging which would be scorned at home, social acquaintances of a caste that would be looked down upon at home, and the acquaintanceship with vice whose progressive stages Pope depicted so aptly. Perhaps the American students best fitted, by temperament and previous training, thoroughly to enjoy the delights of the Latin Quarter and feel no regrets even if they do not become artists, are the negroes, who are flocking there in increased numbers and receiving a cordial welcome from a considerable part of the student population. The American negro is a true Bohemian, in Louisville or Louisiana as well as in the Latin Quarter. He can live in a loft and upon a crust, if need be, and gorge and spurge if opportunity presents itself. It is in his blood to do so. He can withstand the shock of disappointment. His nature is a shock absorber. He is perfectly at home amid the most unconventional sojourners in the Latin Quarter. The social circles in which he moved in America were as unconventional as those of any Utopia of artists ever pictured by the pen of a novelist or the fond imagination of an American schoolgirl. For him the lights of Bohemia, that prove false to many an ambitious student of art, shine true and provide a genial radiance. The reception he is accorded leaves nothing to regret save that there may be nobody from New Orleans or Charleston on hand to witness it and writhe with rage.

EDITORIAL SNAPSHOTS.

New York World: The best consolation in hot weather is the saying of the sage: "This too will pass away."
St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Next to starting a third party the hardest job is that of the lecturer who has begun a crusade against foolish clothes.
Wall Street Journal: Probably the New Zealander who refused to claim a fortune of \$15,000,000 in England was scored at the inheritance tax.
St. Louis Republic: We regret to chronicle the fact that certain esteemed contemporaries do not know the difference between a sheath gown and a hobble skirt.
Springfield Republican: The real victory at the Olympic games is for the metric system. It is used to be hard to interest schoolboys in it, but that time is past.
Philadelphia Inquirer: It has always been a mystery to us where the manufacturers of pencils have been for to secure such uniformly poor lead for them.
Pittsburgh Post: Whenever a person has a few moments of spare time during the months of July and August, he formulates a set of "keep cool" rules, all of which he does not observe.
Philadelphia Press: The English suffragette are coming out of jail now, and perhaps it will be a surprise to them to learn that their window smashing has not given them the right to vote.
New York World: The plan discussed by the Army council of abolishing the army posts and quartering federal forces in cities may prove economical, as alleged in its behalf, but it raises questions more important than that of cost.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha
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Thirty Years Ago—
Roll call at the city council meeting discloses the following members present: Baker, Behm, Corby, Dellone, Dunham, Herman, Leeder, McGuckin, O'Keefe and Thrain.

Dick Wilde fell downstairs at home, and broke his arm and injured his shoulder badly.

Messrs. Jenkins and Andrews have organized a company to put a flatboat on lower Farnam street to convey passengers from the sidewalk to the street cars.

From Bismarck comes word that the steamer Red Cloud, which had often been at the Omaha landing, was completely wrecked on the upper river.

S. Wolshelmer, brother-in-law of A. Polack, is in town.

Joe D. Iler has returned from Lake George and the seacoast.

Mrs. L. W. Minor and boys, Walter, George and Fred, go to Mystic Bridge, Connecticut, to spend the summer and fall.

W. P. Cooley, who has been with the Union Pacific for sixteen years, has resigned his position in the office of the general passenger agent to go to Green River, Wyo.

Huberman's clock stopped at the hour of 3:35. "Wind it up, boys."

Twenty Years Ago—

Chief Justice Carson of the supreme court in South Dakota was an Omaha visitor. Speaking of the third party's claims to carrying his state, the judge laughed and said the republicans of his state would certainly object to being made tools or fools by the third party outfit.

Mrs. T. M. Orr, Miss Orr and Mrs. W. Russell were on their way to Garfield Beach.

Mrs. W. R. Harding, wife of Conductor Harding, accompanied Miss Lonergan to Colorado for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Williams and daughter, Miss Margaret, left for Eagle Lake, Ind., to spend the summer with Mr. and Mrs. George L. Barney.

Mrs. Andrew Rosewater, son and maid were quartered at the Manitou, in Manitou, Colo.

Mrs. Mary Spaulding, wife of Thomas Spaulding, was laid at rest in Forest Lawn cemetery. She was 71 years old and a favorite of all who knew her. She left a husband and six children: Dr. Spaulding, president of the school board; Rev. W. A. Spaulding of Spokane, Wash.; H. W. Spaulding and L. D. Spaulding and Mrs. J. T. Ochiltree of Omaha, and Mrs. J. S. Williams of Vallecito, Ia. Mrs. Spaulding was a member of the Park Avenue United Presbyterian church.

County Superintendent George W. Hill issued a call for the teachers' county institute to be held in the high school building, beginning August 8. The teachers were to be Mrs. Ida Notson of Omaha, Miss Hattie Moore of South Omaha and Prof. Bernard Bigsby of Detroit.

Ten Years Ago—

The semi-annual election of officers of Central Labor union resulted in a victory for the anti-socialists and almost an entire change in administration. The officers selected were: President, H. W. McVea, plumber; vice president, Ed Augustin, stationary engineer; recording secretary, J. A. Bapst, stationary fireman; sergeant-at-arms, Otto Neiderwieser, tinner; trustees, O. P. Shrum, bricklayer; J. C. Tierney, bartender; J. J. Kerrigan, carpenter. No financial secretary was elected, as John Polian, elected six months before, had another six months to hold over.

The funeral service of Rev. William Chokk, vicar general of the diocese of Omaha, was held at St. Philomena's cathedral, where Father Colaneri celebrated high mass, assisted by Fathers Glauber and Smith. Bishop Scannell made a brief address and performed the absolution. The bishop said in the course of his address: "I know nothing of him that was not priestly." The cathedral was filled with former parishioners of Father Chokk from Omaha and Monterey. The body was taken to West Point for burial.

An irrigation burrah meeting was held at the Commercial club, when F. H. Newell, head of the hydrographic bureau of the geological survey, was the chief cheer. A vote of thanks was tendered him for his presence and address. Others who spoke were J. H. Dumont, J. S. Knox, E. E. Bruce, W. Wulpi and C. G. Peare.

Kid Nichols and his Kansas City base ball team arrived in town for a series with Omaha. Kid said he had the battle about won in Kawville against the Hickey crowd.

People Talked About



CHEERY CHAFF.

Freddie—What's an optimist, dad?
Cobwigger—He's the fellow who doesn't know what's coming to him.—Lippincott's Magazine.
"Mine daughter wants to marry a duke."
"Mine wants to marry a poet."
"Wall, I believe I'd rather support a poet than a duke. From all accounts a poet won't eat much, and I don't think he'll want to play the stock market all the time."—Kansas City Journal.
She—If you could have only one wish, what would it be?
He—It would be that—that—Oh, if I only dared, to tell you what it would be. She—Well, go on. Why do you suppose I brought up the wishing subject?—Brooklyn Eagle.
"Indians you know," replied the widely read man, "are very stoical. They're never known to laugh."
"Ohi, I don't know," replied the flippant person. The greatest post longfellow made Minne-ha-ha."—Catholic Standard.
The Little Fan—Me brudder led de battin' in de Ragweed league wit' an average of 'twee eighty.
The Littlest Fan—Dat's nuttin'. Me mudder's battin' average in de Hairbrush league is .900.—Kansas City Star.
Pat (to doctor)—If Oj live, doctor, shure O'll have you to thank for it.
Pat's Wife (somewhat prejudiced against the doctor)—And if you die, Pat, you can thank him, too.—Judge.
Young Wife—But that's very expensive, especially as it's in season, isn't it?
Green Grocer—Well, madam, it is and it isn't, as you might say. What with the French gardening and what not, the vege-

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