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"Mutes Quietly Married," says a headline. How natural.

Another argument in favor of publicity in public affairs is that it promotes efficiency.

Cheer up; these meteoric displays are coming in a series of eight, the prophets tell us.

The visiting stationers have learned, too, that King-Ak-Sar-Ben's fame is not all on paper.

Sure sign of the passing season: Coal dealers have begun on their annual "coal shortage" speech.

Is it true that the reason the average bachelor remains single is that he finds it so easy to get married?

More good news for the bull moosers—the La-Follette supporters in the senate have agreed to support President Taft.

Omaha, the famous inland watering place: Manawa, Carter lake, Seymour, Miller and Hanscom Park lakes and Riverview.

Of course, the reason Mr. Carnegie favors the income tax so zealously is because it would aid him in getting rid of his money.

A returned missionary, after viewing dress styles in the homeland, concludes that this country needs her more than does the heathen.

They have damaged the battleship Nebraska so it has had to lay up for repairs; but there is nothing the matter with the grand old stars.

Perhaps Uncle Sam will recognize the new Chinese republic, now that he has gone into the laundry business in his Treasury department.

Among the early-bird contributors to the Woodrow Wilson campaign fund may be noted our old friend, Harry A. Stone. Ah, there, Anti-Saloon league!

Perhaps Secretary Knox, while he is over attending the late Japanese emperor's funeral, might step over and recognize the new republic of China for his government.

It is not surprising that former President Elliot of Harvard objects to the third term candidate, even though he was at one time one of "young men."

The Washington Post says Uncle Joe Cannon kicked four feet, four inches at a party. The present speaker of the house kicked more than that at a recent Baltimore party.

Booker Washington and Jack Johnson do not vote alike. Dr. Washington votes the republican ticket. Jack hits 'em "middling hard" and knocks 'em through the ropes.

While what Uncle Sam proposes to do on the Panama may not be all right, yet it would hardly be worth while trying to do anything that would be "all" right in Johnny Bull's estimation.

It looks as if the democratic plan of campaign is to accuse Governor Aldrich of saying all sorts of foolish things. The only counter-accusation that can be brought successfully against his democratic competitor, Mr. Moorhead, is that of saying nothing.

Senator Cronka's idea is that if he betrayed the republican party for the third term league he should, to be consistent, and honest, resign his seat in the senate, to which he was elected as a republican and by republicans. And no other course would be honorable.

Hadley.

Of all the leaders on the Roosevelt side at the Chicago republican convention, Governor Hadley was the only one who came out at the close distinctly stronger than at the start. He was the only one who evoked a real, spontaneous demonstration. He alone made a good impression on every one in the convention hall whether they agreed or disagreed with him.

Stories rife at the time that this perceptibly growing popularity had put the Missouri man in bad with Colonel Roosevelt, whose battle he was fighting against great odds, are supported by the treatment now accorded Mr. Hadley by the colonel's closest friends and champions. In his inspired story of the convention, for example, the Review of Reviews reiterates and harps upon the statement that Governor Hadley was spokesman for the Roosevelt force "until the last day."

While damning him with faint praise, it declares that he was "an unfortunate selection for the leadership of his cause," and without making the direct charge, intimates that Governor Hadley was responsible for the plan of having the Roosevelt delegates answer, "Present, but not voting," after the temporary roll was made permanent, and then refused to execute it and join the bolters.

The reader is left to infer that Governor Hadley was spokesman only "until the last day" because of lack of courage, or want of loyalty, to go through with an accepted program.

Governor Hadley is doubtless well able to take care of himself, but this sort of backfiring and bushwhacking does not look like fair play. Unprejudiced people will be much more inclined to believe that the colonel's uncalculated distrust of Governor Hadley was due primarily, if not wholly, not to differences as to procedure, but to the frequent mention of his name as a compromise candidate for president upon whom all republican factions might be brought to unite.

Slaughter Continues in Mexico. Two hundred dead lying in the streets of a besieged town, thirty-six federal soldiers and twenty passengers on a train killed, an American soldier shot near El Paso, where rebels are attempting to cross the American boundary, and many other reports of death and devastation, go to show that the Mexican outlaws are continuing unabated their wanton slaughter.

Many atrocities of the most revolting character are being committed by the wild bands of bushwhackers with apparent impunity so far as the Madero government is concerned. Conditions have come to just where it was feared and predicted they would come unless the administration that overthrew Diaz proved its prowess decisively against the rebels. So long, of course, as organized warfare continued, the federals could command the situation better, but they have not as yet proved equal to the emergency of disorganizing fighting.

The gravity of the situation remains alarming on both sides of the line.

Growth of Internal Commerce. In a new compilation, O. P. Austin, chief of the bureau of statistics for the United States, shows that the foreign commerce of this country advanced from \$1,000,000,000 in 1870 to practically \$4,000,000,000 in 1912 and that the internal domestic commerce for the same period grew from \$7,000,000,000 to \$33,000,000,000, exceeding the ratio of foreign commerce.

It is of special interest to note statistician's comment that the growth of our commerce and industry, which is a surprise to the world, really dates from the opening up of the first transcontinental railway in 1869.

Later lines soon followed the Union Pacific, tapping and developing the great productive valleys of the middle west and later the far west, giving to the world such an abundance of new wealth as to form a quickening impulse to business generally.

And this great west continues and will continue to be the chief source and reservoir of new wealth to this country. With all the stupendous development which this growth in our internal commerce reflects, these fertile valleys and enterprising cities have only begun to open up their resources.

Each year new areas of vast extent are thrown open to agriculture under better systems of cultivation that in themselves are prolific of great promise for the future. Large as has been the part this section has played in the country's industrial advance, it is yet to be much more important.

Of course, both of those Platte river power canal schemes are to be developed now, the only open question being which will materialize first. Still, most of us would rather see work actually begun before we begin figuring on cheap water power electric current.

One of the bull moose stragglers wired to the convention, "What a narrow escape we had at the June convention. Roosevelt came near being nominated." That is good for guff, but that is not the way the colonel felt about it.

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

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Thirty Years Ago—Lovers of good sport will be glad to learn that C. J. Menter, proprietor of the Blue Barn, has added to his livery an elegant hunting wagon, also a two-seated carriage.

Mr. Willie, the famous Farnam street tonorial artist, has made considerable improvements in his establishment.

Ed Witte is having a new coat of paint put on his Farnam street place.

Ex-Senator Paddock is here to await the coming of other members of the Utah commission with whom he will proceed to Salt Lake City.

The Concordia banquet and ball to celebrate Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pundt's silver wedding was a great social success.

Among the guests noted are the following: Mr. and Mrs. Burmeister, Mr. and Mrs. Kory, Mr. and Mrs. Pycke, Mr. Albert Thielen, Mr. Charles Wise, Mrs. Max Meyer, Mrs. Helman, George Tzschuck, Mr. and Mrs. Tzschuck, Messrs. Tzschuck and Adolph Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brussell, Mr. and Mrs. Mendelsohn, Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. Edholm, Mr. and Mrs. Erickson, the two Misses Krug, Miss Flora Cohn, Miss Van Voris, the Misses Prince, Miss Robertson, Miss Harwitz, Miss Lahnman, Miss Blanche Withnell, Messrs. Martin, Miss Abbie Cahn, Mr. Dorman, Mr. McAmara, Mr. Lehman, Harry Barwitz, Mr. H. M. Peavy, Mr. S. J. Fisher, Mr. Shapley, Mr. Krug, Mr. Harris and Mr. Schip.

Dr. J. C. Denise and son left for the west for a few days rest and recreation.

Twenty Years Ago—The hotels began to fill up with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, tramping from the Occident and Orient to meet in the oasis of Omaha for their great periodical conclave.

The star and the crescent were in perdition. From all corners of the country the fest-topped troops came, awaiting back and forth on their thrift-proof caravans for a season of joy and incantation.

Omaha was aglow with its typical spirit of entertainment and Shriners and others joined hands to do honor to this great conclave that had come in to the tenting ground of old Tanquer for the week.

Charles McCarthy's great fireman play, "One of the Bravest," was welcomed by a crowded house at the Farnam Street theater.

Dave H. Clark and Mrs. Clark of New Haven, Conn., were the guests of Chris Hartman and Mrs. Hartman. Mr. Clark was a member of the fire and police commission in his town.

General C. H. Van Wyck, pop nominee for governor, was billed to speak at Hassell's park, but failed to show up. After a while Dave Burr called the meeting to order and introduced Allen Root, who delivered his usual argument.

Charles L. Erickson who died of consumption, was buried at Prospect Hill cemetery. The funeral services were held at his beautiful residence, 608 Nicholas street, and were under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Matthews, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal church.

Ten Years Ago—Duke Boris of Russia, son of Grand Duke Vladimir, cousin of the czar and fourth in line of succession to the Russian throne, with his retinue in a special car came in from the west over the Union Pacific and proceeded east over the Northwestern.

His duketes was not in the best of humor, because of the sensational stories of his heavy losses at cards while at sea which beat him to the American shores and seem to overtake him at intervals along the transcontinental route like a revamping wave, ever and anon.

The duke of his party had made a circuit of the globe, or would complete it when they reached St. Petersburg.

Minor Brown pitched both games of a double-header against Milwaukee and held the Brewers to a total of nine hits for the day. Omaha won one game and lost the other. Gonding, of course, caught both games.

Prof. Nathan Bernstein of the high school returned from Detroit and vicinity, where he spent part of his vacation.

Fifteen or twenty Jacksons held a confab and agreed that G. M. Hitchcock should be the democratic nominee for congress against Dave Mercer. Neither will nor Lee Herdman was present at the meeting, but Ed Howell was and he and Ed P. Smith announced after the meeting that Hitchcock would be the man.

People Talked About—Kansas City is trying to break into Detroit's class by digging up a few surface indications of municipal graft.

At the age of 78, Adlai Stevenson threatens to break into the campaign next fall and say a few things. There is something in the prophecy that the contest will wake up the dead.

The best bargains are the Detroit alderman. A Burns detective bought four, for so he swears, for \$10 each, three at \$30 each and one at \$500. Down in New York a good cop can clean up \$120,000 a year.

One hundred cats were taken to a Japanese shrine recently and abandoned to the fates because the price of rice is too high to feed them. There surely will be a yowl against the high cost of living.

The democratic nominee for governor of Missouri, Elliott W. Major, hails from Bowling Green. He is a lawyer, uncommonly popular with country people whose votes bear out the favorite of the cities—W. S. Cowherd.

Liberty, Mo., has a citizen—Augustus Bishop—who says he hasn't been out of town in forty-one years, never went to the theater, never saw a horse race, never rode in a trolley car, and doesn't know what a hotel elevator is like.

Stanley Fleckinger of Merrill, Kan., owns an Angora goat. It followed him to church a few Sunday ago and the minister had to stop his sermon until the members of the congregation could round up the goat, which insisted on making a fringe on the organ cover.

The resignation of Irwin Shepard of Winona, Minn., as secretary of the National Educational association, an office which he has held for fourteen years, will remove a conspicuous figure from an important organization and conceivably make a better understanding between the west and east within the organization.

GENERAL EVENTS IN THE ARMY

Gleanings from the Army and Navy Register.

Army Medical Corps. Colonel William B. Davis, of the army medical corps, was placed on the retired list on Wednesday on account of age.

This will result in the promotion of Major George D. Deshon to be a lieutenant colonel and Captain Raymond F. Metcalf to be a major.

Major Deshon has been on duty at the army and navy general hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., and Captain Metcalf at the Letterman general hospital at the Presidio of San Francisco.

Colonel Davis is from Virginia and served originally in the navy as a surgeon. In January, 1877, he left that service and was at once appointed an assistant surgeon in the army, with rank of first lieutenant.

He reached the grade of colonel in January, 1909.

Parmasters' Clerks. The senate will insist upon its amendment to the army appropriation bill providing that the age limit for the retirement of army parmasters' clerks shall be the same as the age limit for the retirement of commissioned officers of the army.

At present these clerks have a retiring age at 62 years, while officers of the army retire at 64.

The quartermaster general of the army was recently requested to state whether or not he favored pay clerks having a special authority to be retired two years in advance of the general retiring age.

General Aleahire replied that he did not favor the legislation and was not asked about it. The clause in the former appropriation bill providing for the retirement of pay clerks was based upon the navy law, which provides for the earlier retirement.

There is a feeling that this was a mistake and should be corrected at this time.

New General Officers. The nominations of Colonel Edgar Z. Steever, fourth cavalry, now in command of the troops along the Mexican border, to be a brigadier general of the line and that of Colonel George Andrews, adjutant general of the eastern division, to be adjutant general of the army were sent to the senate on August 6.

Colonel Steever succeeds Brigadier General George F. Chase, who was retired for age. He is a graduate of the military academy, class of 1871.

He was assigned as a second lieutenant to the third cavalry and reached the rank of colonel, fourth cavalry, in August, 1908. Colonel Steever will retire for age on August 20, 1913.

These nominations will meet with no objection from the senate military committee, and a similar feeling is expressed in relation to the nomination of Colonel E. J. McClernand to be a brigadier general.

There is, however, strong opposition to the nominations of Generals Wotterpool and Edwards, the former to be a major general. The nomination of Colonel George Andrews to be the adjutant general of the army, with the rank of brigadier general for the period of four years beginning August 5, 1912, was sent to the senate on August 6.

He will succeed Brigadier General W. P. Hall.

Blondes and Brunettes. For two years the army medical corps collected data bearing on the influence of the tropical climate on blondes and brunettes.

Most of the observations were carried on among enlisted men of the army. Statistics, however, were gathered from the Philippine scouts, the Philippine constabulary, and the Manila police force.

The observations were made in the Philippines on 500 blondes and an equal number of brunettes. Quarterly tests were made on the weight, temperature, pulse, respiration, blood pressure and muscular strength.

Many thousands of observations were made, and the conclusion was reached that the differences were so slight and so insignificant that they were of no great significance.

Of twenty-one medical officers who observed the blonde and brunette soldiers only one considered that there was any difference in the ability of the blondes and brunettes to resist the tropical climate.

With regard to the use of stimulants it was found that the excessive use of alcohol was perhaps a trifle more common among the blondes, but this was of small consequence as there were few persons in the groups observed who indulged to excess.

After a thorough consideration of all the data it appears to the medical officers that blondes are quite as well able as brunettes to withstand the influence of the Philippine climate for a period of two years and probably for over five years.

Additional Enlisted Men. The recruiting division of the bureau of navigation is busily engaged in preparation for the enlistment of additional men for the navy, which have been provided in the naval appropriation bill.

Four thousand men have been added to the enlisted force, which will bring the total up to about 52,000 men.

Congress has likewise appropriated \$20,000 additional for expenses of recruiting these men, and new recruiting parties will be sent in various directions, and the campaign of advertising and personal solicitation will be carried on with renewed energy.

It will be necessary to recruit about 20,000 men this year, owing to the large number of expirations of enlistment. It will be recalled that in 1908 provision was made for an additional 6,000 men to the enlisted force of the navy and by January, 1909, the total number had been recruited.

This was due in a great degree to the cruise of the battleship fleet, which attracted many men desirous of taking the trip around the world. While the method of recruiting is far superior to what it was in 1908, it is believed some little difficulty may be encountered in securing the men desired on account of the unusual demand for laborers at this period of the year.

The large crops in the west call for a great many men and it is also a noticeable fact that a large number of possible recruits who have been born in this country, but whose parents came from Italy, have answered the call of that country and have been going home to take part in the Italian-Turkish war.

In order to recruit the men necessary to man the vessels of the navy the recruiting parties will have to show returns averaging at least 30 recruits a week.

SWAN SONG OF THE RANGE Canadian Ranges Vanish Like Those of the United States.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The last roundup of the cattlemen of North America will be at Calgary, in the Province of Alberta, British America, from September 2 to 5, inclusive of both days.

It is significant of how the border line between Canada and the United States is being practically, though not politically, wiped out by the close contact of the peoples, that cattlemen on all of our northern ranges are preparing to move on Calgary in force.

On all the wide expanses of our northwest, where the men who know how to throw a rope in the way to drop it over the horns of a steer; who know how to ride bucking bronches or other fiery, untamed steeds; who know what "bulldozing" a steer means; who can ride in relay races or do anything ever done on a cattle range anywhere under the sun, are now getting ready to "hit the trail" for Calgary.

Some of them will compete for the many prizes offered by the cattlemen of the Canadian ranges, under whose auspices the meet will be held. But by far the most will go to be at the last roundup, literally "in at the death" of range life, an expression which is not nearly so much of a solecism as it sounds.

Something like a swan song is sung by the cattle barons of Alberta in issuing their invitations, Alberta, with its vast expanses of fertile lands, free for grazing, has long had a race of cattle barons as wealthy as any of ours in the days when Dave Payne and his boomers roared and raged all around Oklahoma, with our cattle barons holding it as a vast estate closed to settlement.

Everywhere in the world where population is rapidly growing, and there is an increasing pressure for ownership of the soil, the herdsmen are being forced out. It is now in Alberta as it was in Oklahoma a quarter of a century ago.

The Alberta cattle barons sing in the swan song: "They realize that the old west they knew, the west of the wild and woolly days, is dying out. The trails once ridden by the cowpuncher are now being crossed by barbed wire fences. The steam plow has cut up the range land, and the noisy locomotive streaks across the prairie on bright steel rails, while the painted Indian has settled down to a life of ease on the treaty money of the Dominion government. They are anxious to have one big reunion of the boys of the early 70s and 80s, the men who were in Alberta ahead of the railroad."

Cattlemen whose combined fortunes run far into the millions are financing the enterprise. They include Pat Burns, who rode into the country without a dollar about a quarter of a century ago, and who is now several times a millionaire.

The evolution of Canada appears to be along lines so very similar to those we ourselves have followed, that the homogeneity of the two peoples, if ever doubted, can be doubted no longer. The Canadians are traveling the same roads we have traveled, and must in time confront the same problems. One of these is forcibly suggested by the passing of the cattle ranges there as here. It is the passing of our cattle ranges which has forced one element of our high cost of living problem, because the small landowner has not as yet turned his attention to stock raising on a small scale. He seems obsessed with the notion that farming means sowing and reaping and little more. The Canadian farmer may be wiser in his generation.

in a majority of the districts. Let us see now whether the popular will is to be obeyed when it declares for a republican as scrupulously as when it calls for a bull moose. "Watch Stubbs of Kansas," we have been warned over and over. We are watching.

Honory Political Formalities. Boston Transcript. The American sense of humor is never quite in full working order during the early stages of a political campaign, else the "formal notification" custom would have been long since abandoned, and candidates would have learned to put forth their "confession of faith" without the excuse of "accepting" a nomination which they had been seeking with eagerness somewhere between a year and a life time.

Science Again Perplexed. Pittsburgh Dispatch. The researches of government scientists as to the cause of the holes in Switzer case may be more fruitful than the ponderings of the famous philosopher over the holes in doughnuts. Neither problem is so insoluble, however, as the tough one presented to a passing investigator as to how the calf got through the auger hole in the doorjamb to which its tail was affixed.

Man of Grave Responsibility. Washington Star. The delicate responsibilities of the treasurer of a party campaign fund have fully materialized. There is no higher form of tact than that required to refuse a large contribution from a source that might invite criticism or suggest grateful recognition in the future.

LAUGHING GAS.

Ethereal Creature—So you hate our sex. Your life has probably never been touched by a woman.

Practical One—None, ma'am; but my pocketbook was once—Judge.

"My dear why won't you have more sense and not try to live on the fringe of society this way?"

"But you know, don't you, that fringe is all the style?"—Baltimore American.

She—Mr. Scraggins and his wife were riding in their auto yesterday when it skidded and they fell out.

He—Well, that was a little variety for them. Usually their fallings out take place at home.—Boston Transcript.

"Mamma, may I carry the poodle?"

"No, dear; you are too little and too careless. But you may carry the baby a little way."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Would you call our candidate's boom an overwhelming demand?"

"It was launched as an overwhelming demand," replied Senator Sturgen; "but it is coming to look rather like a dissenting opinion."—Washington Star.

MARY AND HER LITTLE LAMB.

Chicago Post. Mary had a little lamb. With mint sauce on the side—When Mary saw the bill for this it shocked her so she cried.

Mary had a little veal. A cutter, fit to broil—Her father to pay for that meal all morning spent in toil.

Mary had a little steak—A porterhouse, quite small. And when the bill came in, she wept: "No dress for me this fall."

Mary had some bacon sliced—'Twas streaked with lean and fat. And now she knows she can't afford to buy a new fall hat.

Mary had a little roast. As juicy as could be. Then Mary's papa promptly went right into bankruptcy.

Mary isn't eating meat; She has a better plan. She says it's ladylike to be a vegetarian.



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