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Equal suffragists did not get an equal show in the parade. Thus far March is keeping step with its record in most places.

Former President Taft will find golfing good at Augusta, anyway. Every brass-buckled Nebraska colonel "seen his duty and done it."

It seems that the university regents prefer a fixed policy to a right policy. There are said to be forty-eight varieties of house fly. Pickles still lead.

"Every man has his price," says Puck. Perhaps, but it is not always measured in money. It seems hard for the lawyers to let young Thaw alone, as long as he has a few dollars left.

Senator Fall with his voice fell upon that Indian appropriation bill with crushing force. Of course, the only way to run the government for the people would be to turn it over to Mr. Hearst.

In the language of the stage, President Wilson's cabinet family will hardly be called an all-star company. All pie-seekers not sent for by the chef will kindly hand their applications to the second cook and be seated.

It would subject one to court-martial to omit "colonel" in addressing one of Governor Morehead's staff-men now. Mr. Bryan wore a plug hat at the inauguration, of the man who once wished to have him knocked into a cocked one.

Willis L. Moore ought to be able to rely on a steady job as a reward for the fine inauguration weather he produced. Adair county, Missouri, is said to have lost 213 goats during the last year. Champ Clark lives in Pike county, however.

Seeing our old friend, "Tom" Tibbles, is self-deputed to write a model charter for Omaha, we might as well call the home-rule charter convention off. Promoting the guard in charge of Madero and Suarez when they were killed, does not tend to inspire confidence in the Huerta explanation that it was pure accident.

That Bryan birthday dinner this year will be different from those that have gone before. Orators will for the first time omit the "I-regret-to-report" parts of their speeches. Secretary Bryan is said to have been opposed to Secretary McAdoo's appointment, but President Wilson's way is to let one hand know what the other doeth in matters of that sort.

One branch of the Nebraska legislature has by formal resolution confirmed the belief in "the sterling virtue, high character and great ability" of President Wilson. That settles it. Let the procession move on.

Not a legislature has convened in Nebraska since the first compulsory purchase law was enacted ten years ago that has not been pestered for new legislation for the Omaha Water board. Let Omaha attend to its water works problems itself under the recently adopted home-rule amendment to the constitution, and the legislature will hereafter be spared all further trouble.

Bryan in the Cabinet.
Twenty years ago J. Sterling Morton became secretary of agriculture in President Cleveland's cabinet. He was the first and Mr. Bryan is the second Nebraskan to sit in the president's official family. The state, normally republican, has never been thus represented by other than these two democrats, though of radically different types of democracy.

Secretary Bryan may be sure that the "home-folks" are proud of his distinction and hope that in the comity of nations his wisdom and diplomacy may become a guiding influence. He enjoys the advantage at the outset of world-wide fame and extensive personal acquaintance. Mr. Bryan is one of several great orators and brilliant leaders to fall of the presidency and become secretary of state. In this experience, Clay, Calhoun, Webster and Blaine are his predecessors. Some folks predict that Bryan will break with Wilson just as Blaine did with Harrison, because of the striking similarity in their positive characters and ambitions. But Mr. Bryan has had three chances at the presidency and moreover he was not a disappointed rival, but rather the political creator of Wilson in the convention that nominated him. Even so, this somewhat ungenerous prediction excites much comment and will be followed with continuing interest.

Trading.
When a man starts to drive a bargain he proceeds to trade off inconsequential for what he really wants.

Our Water board overlords are now trying to drive a bargain with the legislature by trading off the revenues, which they pretended was the main thing, for what they really want, which is a new water district designed to evade home rule in water works matters, and perpetuate their control by letting the Water board hold their own elections, appoint their own judges and clerks of election, count their own ballots, give their own certificates to nonregistered voters, and issue to themselves their own certificates of election.

The trading began early when the political engineer yielded up without serious resistance all revenues from breweries, distilleries, electric light plant, hotels and office buildings supplying themselves from wells. Now he is said to be ready to trade off revenues from all stock yards water consumption, provided the packing houses are not included, and if, to save himself from his home-rule nightmare, it becomes necessary to throw the packing houses in for good measure, he will do that, too.

Marshall's Sense and Humor.
Charges of bad faith based upon an attitude of mind or upon conduct should never be made until it is clearly established that the resultant action is the outcome of personal interest or improper and dishonorable business or social relations.

If the principle of simple justice had been invariably maintained for the last four years which Vice President Marshall voices in his inaugural, political alignments might be very different today. The square deal would mean much more than it does and some old friendships might not be supplanted by deep-seated antipathies. In the transport of reforms and disappointed ambition, men have paid too little heed to real actions and motives. Good names have suffered because of honest differences of opinion and great reputations tarnished because of fidelity to deep-seated convictions. It is time to turn from reckless denunciation of those in honest disagreement with one, and the vice president could hardly have struck a more responsive chord.

Mr. Marshall's address, with the merit of brevity to commend it, sparkles with a vein of humor, as, for instance, in his allusion to "four years of silence," which, with its dominant note of common sense, makes it a readable document. Coal Prices and Wages.
The government's report on the anthracite coal investigation discloses more of the perfidious practices of those industrial barons who claim the divine right of ruling in their realm of industry. It shows that while increased wages aggregating \$4,000,000 were granted the striking miners last summer, coal prices were advanced \$13,450,000.

In Omaha anthracite coal commands \$12 a ton and it went to \$13.50, as compared with \$11 and \$11.50 a year ago. In Council Bluffs and South Omaha some dealers are said to be getting \$13. This anthracite coal combine simply put \$4,000,000 in a speculation and took out \$13,450,000 on its investment, making, in other words, \$9,450,000 on its investment. Yet there is probably nothing new in the principle of this performance: it is the science of regulating anthracite coal output and prices. And with the facts before it, the government should find a way to provide relief to overburdened coal consumers.

Chey Chase club is sore at President Wilson for declining its offer of honorary membership, a courtesy extended to all presidents. Still it should maintain its courtesy to the point of allowing him to decline if he so please. Looking Backward This Day in Omaha
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Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

Thirty Years Ago—
In a letter to the city council Byron Reed, signing himself as superintendent of Prospect Hill cemetery, calls attention to the necessity of providing additional cemetery room for Omaha. Prospect Hill cemetery, established about twenty-five years ago, having reached the point where it is impossible to furnish the necessary facilities required. He says the number of burials to date there is 3,807.

A motion in the city council to employ two extra men on the street force to clean cross walks was lost. Harrigan and Hart put on "Squatter Sovereignty" at the Millard hotel. The postoffice is being thoroughly renovated by the painters. John E. Edwards is the father of a baby boy who weighs just 4 pounds.

A heavy mist with neither sun, stars or electric light to lighten the gloom made last night as dark as a stack of black cats. Large flocks of wild ducks and geese are passing over the city, and by their cries seem to be wailing a stonethrow of the tops of the buildings. Mr. and Mrs. George C. Bassett were completely taken by surprise by their neighbors last night who staid and danced until 2 o'clock.

A. R. Dufrene is back from California, where he spent the last two months. Phil McShane left last night for Denver accompanied by his family to be gone a couple of weeks. J. C. Rowe, catcher for the Buffalo League Base Ball club, is spending a few days here with old base ball friends.

Twenty Years Ago—
Judge McCulloch, P. L. Perine, Rev. M. P. Heiling and others, representing 4,000 signers of a petition for action by the Board of Fire and Police commissioners to clean up the burnt district, appeared before the board and argued their case. They quoted statements made in a comprehensive report by Chief of Police Seaver, as showing the need for social reform. At the conclusion Mayor Bemis took the floor and proposed that instead of maintaining "a one-horse, weak preacher down in that locality, you ought to get the biggest man you have, put up a good building and minister to the physical as well as the moral wants of the unfortunate." He offered to give \$1,000 toward such a place, which he called a reformatory.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Myer returned from a five weeks' trip in the west. L. T. Wolfe, for more than six years assistant to the chief engineer of the Union Pacific, resigned to accept a more lucrative position with Kilpatrick Bros. & Collins of Beatrice, with coal mining interests at Chamberlayne, Wyo., the management of which Mr. Wolfe was to assume. Lottie Collins resented her own "Ta-ra-ra-boom-dee-ay" at the Boyd to the delight of a large audience. Railroad circles were agitated by the sensational report that Edward Dickson of the Union Pacific, who had gone to Chicago, went to accept an offer to become general manager of the Santa Fe. President S. H. H. Clark of the Union Pacific discredited the report absolutely.

Ten Years Ago—
The South Side Improvement club, which had been enjoying a slumbering vacation, came back to life with an energetic meeting and address by David Cole, presiding in place of the regular president; John Power, Ernest Stuit, R. S. Patrick and Dr. W. H. Hanchett. The club voted a resolution urging the council to give the people a chance to vote on the Andrew Rosewater grain ordinance. Boyd & Merrill, grain commission men in the New York life building, gave out a statement in which they predicted 60-cent corn if prevailing conditions continued. Corn at present was 45c cents a bushel. The bulk of the crop was still in the cribs, heating as a result of the weather. Captain William A. Winder, 80 years of age, one of the prominent army officers in the country, died at the Millard hotel. He was a brother-in-law of Admiral Dewey. He had seen distinguished service during the civil war and figured in some 'epochal events. Rumor had it that the Board of Education had decided to cut away from John Laessler and give the contract for drawing the plans for the eight-story Monument Park building to T. L. Kimball. Perry Heath, former first assistant postmaster general, with Mr. Heath, stopped in Omaha en route from Washington to Salt Lake City, where Mr. Heath was editor of the Tribune.

People Talked About
Edward F. Boxwell, the hairy democrat from Kansas who is enjoying the limelight in Washington, has decided to hold on to his sixteen-year crop of hair and break into a vaudeville circuit. Senator Henry Ashurst of Arizona, aged 21; Senator-elect Morris Sheppard of Texas, aged 29, and Senator Lake Lea of Tennessee, aged 34, are called the babies of the United States senate. Adolph Meiser of Evansville, Ind., has bequeathed the sum of \$4,000 to be held in trust until 20 years have elapsed for the benefit of dumb animals. By that time it will amount to more than \$20,000. Alfred Henry Lewis is reported mixed in the latest law case, of course, the report is unfounded. Alfred Henry would not leave Truth exposed for a minute to the cool, unfeeling world even for a bunch of money at the end of the lane. Mrs. Pankhurst says her promise to keep quiet while out on bail does not mean to stop talking. The British authorities insist that silence is a part of the bond, but are stumped on means of enforcement. Mrs. Pankhurst must be allowed some exercise. Admiral von Tirpitz is known in Germany as Tirpitz the Eternal, because for fourteen years, or since the beginning of the Boer War, he has been unintermittently at the helm of the German navy. Like the emperor, he is something of an anglophobe, and all his children have been educated in England. Charion county has the youngest sheriff in Pennsylvania, if not in the United States. Winfield Scott Smathers, Jr., has received his commission as sheriff of Clayton county from Governor Tener, to the unexpired term of his father, the late Winfield Scott Smathers. The new sheriff was born in Worthville, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania, June 15, 1891.

Twice Told Tales

What Dreams Are Made Of.
The great detective's visitor nervously twitched her elbows. "I hope I am a loyal wife," she said, shakily. "But as a suffragette I feel my first duty is to my country. For weeks my husband, almost every night, has left the house on mysterious missions. "But he is a confirmed sleep talker, and each night I have listened. Oh, sir, he is conspiring against the government; his talk is all of royalty and of evenings spent with kings and queens. I thought it my duty to come to you."

Did he speak of any of the king's relations? "I acquired the great detective, after a short but expressive pause. "Yes, associated with his ramblings of kings and queens always there is reference to somebody's aunt." The great detective hid a smile behind one lean hand and assured her there was nothing to it.—Detroit Free Press.

Green Coombs.
The cook left and Mrs. Keene, who was a bride, hired a green girl. The young mistress had never had any experience in the kitchen, but when several guests came unexpectedly for dinner one evening and the green maid became very nervous over preparing a meal for so many people Mrs. Keene undertook to be of some assistance. Descending to the kitchen she found the girl struggling with a coffee machine and asked what she might do to relieve the situation. "Well, mum," confessed the girl, "I have forgot to wash the lettuce, an' ye might do that."

"Very well, Della," said Mrs. Keene, pleasantly. "Don't get so excited. Take things cooler and I will help you. You get right on with the coffee and I'll wash the lettuce. Where do you keep the soap?"—Harper's Magazine.

A Passenger's Mistake.
"Train on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad stopped for lunch, ice and the innocent stranger, and it said the hotel that burnt was of unsavory reputation and that it was a hell hole. Now, Mr. Editor, it must have been if your statement is correct, a bad place. The question is, was it any worse place than the people of Omaha wanted? They surely wanted it and kindred places to run in Omaha or they would not have them. That is business is it not? The idea that Omaha's claimed sanctified people should go with those that do not claim to be sanctified and saved, and vote for such conditions. But, Mr. Editor, is it any worse than for them to go and vote with them to promote the liquor business in Omaha that is responsible for 50 per cent of the crimes committed in Omaha. The truth of the whole matter is, that you people of Omaha want just such conditions, and so you all vote for them, the same as they do here in North Platte. Does Omaha or North Platte want a change from such conditions? If they do, they can get it mighty quick. Yes they can! The idea of men posing as followers of Jesus and promoting such conditions, to me, is blasphemy. CYRUS STEBBINS.

Registered Knocks

Philadelphia Record: It is quite clear that the National Cash Register men were not convicted of commercial warfare, but of commercial brigandage. They were convicted of pushing their business by methods "so despicable that they ought not to be even contemplated by a business man in good standing." In their "desire for gain they forgot everything else." It is a serious thing for any business man to have a poor a memory. New York World: In twenty years the trust broke up 150 competing manufacturers and established its monopoly so securely that it now controls more than 80 per cent of the business. Whether we examine the offenses above named in detail or take them all together as showing intent to monopolize an industry, the crimes involved at every stage, and the great central crime to which they all lead, are not new crimes, but old crimes, as old, indeed, as the common law.

The Perfect Gown

Weep no more, Phyllis! Dry your tears and hand in your measure! Let joy be unconfined, for the long-felt want of womankind is here—"the perfect gown!" The garment is a composite creation of the genius of the Young Women's Christian association tailor shop in New York. A glance at the label is sufficient assurance that Parisian gown art is backed off the fashion stage. Loyalty to home creative genius justifies the off-hand conclusion. Look at the wonder. The perfect gown has a pointed neck to match the pointed chin of the model who wore it, and has 124 buttons, but these are for ornament. The real buttoning being done with hooks and eyes. "A gown that a woman cannot get into without assistance is a crime," said Miss Christine J. Sorenson, head of the Young Women's Christian association's dressmaking department. "So is a square neck on a girl with a square face. But a girl with a plump neck and pretty arms should wear a round neck and short sleeves, even in an office."

"It is ridiculous to say that a business man doesn't want his stenographer to look attractive. It is the attractive woman who gets ahead. So it behooves every woman to study her good points and dress as pleasantly as she can." Miss Sorenson says that in the perfect gown the model could raise her arms above her head in spite of its kimono sleeves, because the fullness was drawn in over the elbow. Also it had a fold of extra material at the side opening, which eliminated the petticoat.

Here and There

Missouri suffragists are trying the Eve treatment by showering apples on the Adams of the state legislature. A Boston policeman in plain clothes piping off a dancing party was relieved of his watch as the couples glided by. The sedate Hamilton club of Chicago will exclude free dances from its annual ball and revive quadrilles, Virginia reels, the stately minuet and other hoary favorites of the past. A woful scream comes from the dress-making shops of New York and Chicago against Mrs. Woodrow Wilson's purpose to limit her wardrobe expenses to \$1,000 a year. "Outrageous," "impossible," the modistes exclaim, putting the bedrock figures at \$750. Now who shall decide? Timothy Butler, a kid of New Britain, Conn., gave a modern version of the hatchet story on G. Washington's birthday by hacking a grove of young maples. Contrary to precedent Timothy was arched over the paternal knee and caressed in the usual way.

The Bees Letter Box

Peculiar Water Works Management.
OMAHA, March 5.—To the Editor of The Bee: In regard to the way the Water board is handling business I wish to state a few facts that have come to my notice. As I have been looking after some property for relatives, I have received notice that meters have been installed and a charge made for one for \$11.50 and another for \$11.75. When I asked why this difference I was told, "Do not know." A very unsatisfactory answer. As the water was paid full rate to April 1st, I asked for a rebate on the two bills, but was told that would make bookkeeping too complicated. I was under the impression they had an office manager (perhaps he is at Lincoln). We understand the meter is not to be read until April, but in the meantime we have paid in advance for water and meter. The above is on the same principle as last summer's sprinkling deal when we could not use water although it was paid for in advance. I trust this information will help you in your fight for better water service and less one man power. H. M. MUNNECKE, 331 Lafayette Avenue.

Come Again—You're Welcome.
OMAHA, March 5.—To the Editor of The Bee: I wish to thank you for the progressive attitude you assume in publishing articles expressive of public sentiment. In the hands of the people the non-partisan newspaper becomes an educational institution of power. PEARLE CHAMBERLAIN.

Accepted With Thanks.
OMAHA, March 5.—To the Editor of The Bee: Your straight answer to a direct question certainly makes you big enough to get this Democratic vote of mine. HENRY R. GERING.

Seen from Near and Far.
NORTH PLATTE, Neb., March 5.—To the Editor of The Bee: I read in the Sunday Bee what you say under the head of the innocent stranger, and it said the hotel that burnt was of unsavory reputation and that it was a hell hole. Now, Mr. Editor, it must have been if your statement is correct, a bad place. The question is, was it any worse place than the people of Omaha wanted? They surely wanted it and kindred places to run in Omaha or they would not have them. That is business is it not? The idea that Omaha's claimed sanctified people should go with those that do not claim to be sanctified and saved, and vote for such conditions. But, Mr. Editor, is it any worse than for them to go and vote with them to promote the liquor business in Omaha that is responsible for 50 per cent of the crimes committed in Omaha. The truth of the whole matter is, that you people of Omaha want just such conditions, and so you all vote for them, the same as they do here in North Platte. Does Omaha or North Platte want a change from such conditions? If they do, they can get it mighty quick. Yes they can! The idea of men posing as followers of Jesus and promoting such conditions, to me, is blasphemy. CYRUS STEBBINS.

Editorial Spice

Cleveland Plain Dealer: Nebraska employs a publicity committee to advertise the state. Perhaps Colonel Bryan expects to move. Boston Herald: The probable combination of a hot summer and a hot special session warrant the spending of \$28,000 on the refrigerating plant of the national capital. Springfield Republican: Mr. Mann of Illinois will continue to be the republican leader in the house next session. He does very well, but, as one member puts it, what the republicans need is not Mann, but a super-Mann. Washington Post: President Wilson won't have a chance to visit the capitol for six months at least, for during that time there will always be a quorum of both senate and house cooling their heels in Pie Alley at the White House. Houston Post: Gee, but Mr. Taft's drop from \$4,200 a month to \$415 is enough to jar his back teeth. And Woodrow's jump from \$333 to \$2,500 is enough to turn his ponderous Presbyterian solemnity into shouting Methodist exultation. Philadelphia Record: It is estimated that the LaFollette bill for the physical valuation of railroads, which has just passed both branches of congress, will cost the government \$5,000,000 or \$6,000,000 and the railroads about the same amount, and that the work to be done is so vast that it will require several years. It will thus provide steady employment for a large number of officeholders, but it is difficult to see what other good it will accomplish. The railroads have not opposed it, having no objection to it other than on the ground of expense, and the wearisome labor of examination will probably soon be started by the Interstate Commerce commission.

Kernels of Science

Potato water will remove mud stains from nearly every kind of cloth garment. More juice can be extracted from a lemon by heating it slightly than if it is squeezed when cold. An artificial leather for electrician's gloves that resists dangerous current almost as well as rubber has been invented. A strong solution of hypochlorite of soda will remove lard stains. The article should be thoroughly washed afterward. Chemotherapy is the name given a new medical science which aims to prevent recurrent diseases by using coal tar products that combine a maximum of destructive power over internal parasites with a minimum of poisonous action upon the tissues. It is claimed by a French scientist that flowers give off more perfume when shaded than when the sun shines upon them, because the sun's heat lessens the water pressure in the plant cells. This pressure driving out the oils that cause the odors. Some Swiss doctors maintain that the amount of sleep should be regulated by altitude. Too much sleep, they say, is as harmful as too much food or drink. In low lying districts seven hours' slumber may be enjoyed with impunity, but up in the mountains five hours is enough.

A Crush of Comfort

Washington Post.
It is comforting to remember in connection with the income tax that nobody will be taxed who hasn't got it.

LAUGHING GAS.
"I was held up once on a road out west."
"Was held up in my own home."
"How did that happen?"
"It was my nurse."—Baltimore American.

BETTER THINGS.
National Magazine.
Better to be the singer of song
That may stir up some other heart to sing
And send the echo all life's way along,
Than to wear the robe and diadem of king.

Better to speak a helpful, cherry word
To some faint heart bowed down with
Load of care,
Who will be cheered, as with the song of bird,
Than to the wealth of Indies be the heir.

Better to greet some lone one with a smile
And send him on the way of joyous heart,
Forgetting all life's bitterness the while,
Than with the mammon seekers have a part.

Better to help the weary and the weak,
And ease the burden under which they groan,
Than lie with those who only pleasure seek
And turn deaf ears to every piteous moan.

Then give the cup of water to his name,
The naked clothe, the hungry ones amuse,
Though men know not, the Master will acclaim
In heaven the deed ye did for "one of these."

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