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The lawyer bunch is great on fine resolutions. It is evident by now that predictions do not make weather.

See, what if the movie man missed that sight of Mexican federalists rushed into the river? That Indiana couple married in a church steeply must wish to start life on a high plane.

This playing hide and seek across our Texas border must be a quite exhilarating game. Whoever it was that had Moyer slugged displayed a very peculiar idea of the way to cure the infection.

Those Japanese resolutions of sympathy are all right in their way, but Huerta could use the money to much better advantage. Fundamentally, there can not be very much the matter with a country that produces \$10,000,000,000 worth of farm crops a year.

President Wilson will have to find a more obscure hiding place than Pass Christian to keep the persistent favor seeker from finding him out. The old scout, Harvey, who discovered the young busher, Woodrow Wilson, is now wondering why he ever tipped him off to the majors.

But if the administration currency bill is really as bad as he kept saying it was all the time, how could a conscientious person defying the caucus whip ever vote for it. Remember, however, that deliberate perjury in court, the kind that goes to make a so-called "frame-up," in nine out of ten cases originated in the fertile brain of the crooked lawyer.

San Francisco is getting some of its back streets cleaned for the first time in many years with its army of unemployed, so reports say. Omaha wishes no such army, but we have the back streets.

Omaha has better claims than most of them for a regional bank, but also the unique handicap of having furnished the only democratic United States senator who stood out against his party measure. President Wilson is sure to carry Pass Christian, judging from his popularity reflected in the grown-ups' scramble to attend the same church he does and the kids fighting to caddy for him at golf.

In boasting that the prevailing high prices make the 1913 short crop worth as much as the full crop of the year before, our democratic friends admit failure of their promise to reduce the cost of living. One thing seems very certain, that with radium as a cure for cancer, this country can no longer afford to send the raw ore to Europe for reduction and buy back the refined product at fabulous prices.

It is, indeed, a fast age in which we live. Look back over your shoulder a short span and then on this: "Railroad presidents are willing for the Interstate Commerce commission to supervise their issues of stocks and bonds." The San Francisco Chronicle's "Twenty-five Years Ago Today" column reminds its readers that Collins P. Huntington said he wanted railway rates put on a more permanent basis. And partly because he and his contemporaries were able to put them on the kind of basis they desired, certain revolutionary events have in these latter days transpired.

An Important Club Election.

As our principal business organization, the Commercial club is a vital factor in the upbuilding of Omaha. Regardless of its successes and failures in the past, its opportunities for present and future usefulness were never greater.

The Commercial club is at the point of rearranging its work and re-offering at least one of its departments. Many projects of public moment or of business value are calling for consideration, and concerted and well directed effort is constantly required to keep Omaha abreast of its trade competitors, and to hold its prestige high abroad.

Progress in Eugenics. The movement for a chemically pure race, like the old darky's faith, seems to have "ketches a fall," for people do not seem to be taking as kindly to professional and legalized eugenics as they were scheduled to do.

Our Cosmopolitan Schools. A striking significance arises from that convention of the American Association of Cosmopolitan Clubs at Iowa City, giving college yells in twenty-two languages.

A Lopsided Situation. San Francisco is besieged by an army of 20,000 unemployed men, Chicago 150,000 and some other cities in smaller numbers.

Nebraska Editors. R. P. Sheldon has sold the Rising City Independent to Charles Seely of St. Joseph, Mo.

People and Events. Vice President Marshall has signed up for a series of lectures in the middle west, next summer, with the proviso that he is billed as plain Tom Marshall, without reference to his regular job.

Political Tips. Somewhere in the long, dark shadows of the western night the disesteemed William J. Sulzer dropped his lecture tour and hiked for home.

Earlier Departure. Commencing Sunday, January 4th, the Burlington's mid-afternoon train, No. 2, will leave Omaha at 3:45 p. m. instead of 4:20 p. m.

Many a merchant, who won't spend a cent on advertising, gets it free under "Business Difficulties."

Looking Backward This Day in Omaha

DECEMBER 31. Thirty Years Ago—Here is a list of the at home announcements for receiving New Year's calls.

Twice Told Tales. Barney the Morning After. Here is one that was told by Congressman Edward W. Poy of North Carolina.

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JOLLIES FROM JUDGE.

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ENDING THE YEAR.

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