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With Mexico it is merely a matter of breaking off a bad habit.

Old Sol is smiling his prettiest on the fair kingdom of Quivera.

That straw vote on Lincoln's postmastership seems to have been a fluke,

What the opposing armies are trying to locate Is the point of least resistance.

It takes the good King Ak-Sar-Ben to keep the weatherman in the proper mood.

There is only one King Ak-Sar-Ben, and Omaha is the only place he disports himself.

Italy last year produced 988 tons of quick ailver and may yet have reason to wish it were lead and steel.

The one bad feature about this mild autumn is that in holding off the first frost it postpones the pumpkin ple.

If the carnival gate receipts keep up the pace, Ak-Sar-Ben's chancellor of the exchequer will cease to worry.

About the saddest of all the war pictures is the one showing the soldier kissing his wife and little ones goodbye.

Somebody observes that sealots may run the "buy-a-bale" of cotton into the ground. Well. earth to earth, you know.

A' tip to carnival fun-makers: Draw the line at rowdyism. You'll get just as much, and even more, fun out of it.

The Krupps are said to have 46,000 men engaged making cannon and projectiles. Talk about the war hurting business.

Thus far, however, the secretary of state has not negotiated a sales factory peace treaty with the democratic senator from Nebraska.

The way they are destroying scenery in that European theater of war ought to make lots of work for stage carpenters and painters.

"Jury agreed, but spectators disagreed" is the verdict in that School board hearing, with an appeal from the umpire to the bleachers.

Seven feet of ballots to be voted on in Douglas county at the coming election. No wonder the short ballot movement is growing more popular!

"This is no time to hoard money," says Uncle Henry Wallace of Des Moines. Right you are, and there's where we will have no trouble to prove an alibi.

Said the Right Hon. Winston Churchill a few days ago: "If the German navy does not come out and fight they will be dug out like rats in a hole." But he could hardly have meant to include the little German submarines.

The State Normal board has kindly provided a place for the deputy state superintendent, and is presumably reserving another haven of refuge for the state superintendent to occupy when his term expires. With the school ring there is nothing ahead of "taking care of our friends."



Four hundred people witnessed a splendid game between the Union Pacifics and the Evansvilles, the home team winning by 8 to 2. The batteries were Salisbury and Bandle and Saunders and Hiller, and

Mrs. John R. Manchester and her sister, Miss Jennia McAusland, left for St. Louis.

The Peust of Tabernacies celebration was begun at the Temple Israel with appropriate services. The county commissioners have referred to General

county attorney, the petition circulated by Cyrus Morton for the sale of the poor farm. The owner of a carriage wrap, lost on Cass near Eighteenth, may have the same back by calling for at F. C. Andrew's boot and shoe house, 612 North

A good girl for general bousework in a small family say find employment with Mrs. Thomas E. Hall on hierman avenue, east side, first house north of Grace. S. Avery has returned home from an extended visit

east, bringing with him Mr. Cole of Champaign as his

Twenty Years of Ak-Sar-Ben.

No period of Nebraska's history has witnessed as large permanent growth and developments of its interests and resources as the last twenty years spanned by the reign of King Ak-Sar-Ben. In the dark days of drouth and hard times this great festival was conceived in the brain of a few Omaha business men in the dual nature of a promoter of pleasure and business, not alone for Omaha, but the whole state as well. To that purpose it has ever held and subserved it with increasing success.

Now at the end of twenty years those who have followed the course of Ak-Sar-Ben are more than ever impressed with the wisdom and stability of its conception, for it has weathered every adverse wind that has crossed its path and come to its twentieth anniversary with, not only unabated, but, indeed, enlarged zeal and enthusiasm in its existence. Of course, such a result must be largely due to the fact that in the beginning the founders succeeded in striking an exact balance in the dual character of their scheme and then in the same administration of the institution following.

Of local origin, of state-wide construction and influence, Ak-Sar-Ben today has a fame that knows almost no bounds. At its shrines have bowed big men of all the states and some of other lands. Presidents and lesser statesmen here have paid homage to our twenty-year-old potentate and felt and enjoyed the genius of the festival side of his rule out at the "den"-a word to conjure with-as well as along the brilliant highways of his imperial city. Here we are, then, in the midst of another fall festival with a welcome as royal and genuine and a hospitality as deep and true as ever for all the hosts who come to give and share in this joyous, profitable season.

Only a Mare's Nest.

A terrible furor is being raised by the Lincoln Star over what it calls a constitutional "miscue" in requiring 35 per cent of the voters to save a law enacted by the legislature upon which a referendum has been demanded. The Star directs attention particularly to the workmen's compensation law, although a similar referendum has been taken on another legislative enactment, namely, the appropriation for the Nebraska City armory. The Star contends that the constitution permits 10 per cent of the voters by petition to block legislation absolutely until 25 per cent of the voters record themselves affirmatively for it. If this were true, we would freely admit that our referendum, instead of being in the direction of popular rule, would be a device for the rule of a mere fractional minority.

But in construing the constitution, as we read it, the Star is enevitably wrong, because the 35 per cent limitation upon the initiative does not apply to the reefrendum, as must be clear from the wording of the section:

The whole number of votes cast for governor at the regular election last preceding the filing of any initiative or referendum petition shall be the basis on which the number of legal voters required to sign such petition shall be computed. The veto power of the governor shall not extend to measures initiated by or referred to the people. All such measures shall become the law or a part of the constitution when approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon, provided the votes cast in favor of said initiative measure or part of said constitution shall constitute 35 per cent of the total vote cast at said election, and not otherwise, and shall take effect upon the proclamation by the governor. which shall be made within ten days of the comple-

tion of the official canvass. The omission of specific reference to referendum measures in connection with the 35 per cent proves an intention not to require more than a majority of the votes cast on such a proposition, which, furthermore, stands to reason, even by the Star's line of argument, for all the referendum is designed to accomplish is to permit a minority to take an appeal from the legislature to the people and to ascertain whether the to them objectionable measure is really objectionable to the majority. The burden of proof naturally falls upon those who invoke the referendum just as for the initiative the burden of proof is upon those who resort to it. If acts like the workmen's compensation law or appropriations like the armory appropriation could be defeated by hidden hands hiring people to secure signatures on a 10 per cent petition, what a boon the referendum would be to the selfish special interests.

The Need of Men.

The decadence of the country church and its sorely needed redivivus is a subject that lies heavily on the heart of religious economists as well as others interested in this vital element of our national life. Many plans and proposals for accomplishing the improvement have been advanced or tried out, all with indifferent success. The problem exists today as acutely as if no solution had been attempted. What is the real need? The question is answered by Kenyon L. Butterfield, a Michigan college president, rural sociologist, author of "Chapters in Rural Progress" and "The Country Church and Rural Problems," and last but not least, former president of the Roosevelt Country Life commission. And this is what President Butterfield

More than all else just now, we need a few men to achieve great results in the rural parish, to reestablish the leadership of the church. No organisation can do it. No layman can do it. No educational institution can do it. A preacher must do it-do it in spite of small sabary, isolation, conservation, restricted field and overchurching. The call is imperative. Shall we be denied the men?

If Dr. Butterfield's diagnosis is correct, the remedy is plain. Now for the men. Have preachers, too, been caught up in the vortex of the cityward trend and turned their backs upon the farm? Time was when the old country church formed the loadstone of rural life, drawing the people to it as the social as well as religious center, thus knitting them together into closer community interests and working units. The effect was wholesome and farreaching. This center gone, and, without arguing whether as a direct result or not, we find ourselves busy with "back to the farm" crusades and such appeals as Dr. Butterfield here makes.

Surely no material gain or reward or attraction can be half so alluring to any minister of the gospel with a proper sense of his calling as the opportunities thus set forth, not to speak of the responsibilities. It may seem unfair to expect greater sacrifices by the minister than by others, yet will it be a sacrifice, after all, for the man who goes at the job aright? If the need is as described, then the men who answer | page space.

the call will have no occasion for worrying over what they shall eat or drink or wear, to take the scriptures for it. Even the wicked old world can see that, as well as the value of fulfilling this need.

Omaha's Permanent Attractions.

Ak-Sar-Ben visitors should have their attention drawn to some of Omaha's permanent attractions, as well as to the temporary exhibits of the festival period. As long as the guests are here, let them be sure to see some of the substantial beauties and blessings which we enjoy the year round. With the automobile to facilitate matters, trips may easily be made through the handsome residential portions of the city, the parks, numerous and beautiful, and, by no means least, our impressive public buildings, schools and churches. Sabbath days as well as other days must be spent by many of our visitors in the imperial city of Quivera, and where can time be better spent on these days than in the churches, which dot every section of Omaha? What we specially want everyone who comes here to do is to get better acquainted with all features of our life that we believe should appeal to him.

The World Knows.

Bismarck, the great "Iron Chancellor" of Germany, once said: "Let the enemy know what war means." The enemy, which was France, certainly found out, if it did not know before. And if the world came away from the Franco-Prussian conflict with any misgivings as to the deep reality of war, certainly it has learned from the present cataclysm now engulfing all Europe and touching other lands, that the meaning of war is the ruthless slaughter of humanity and the desolation of every achievment wrought by human genius. Yes, the world knows, and knowing, let us hope, is at this very moment resolving to itself that, come what may as the issue of this war, its utmost powers and influence will be hurled implacably against war in the future as the abitrament of international disputes; that it will institute a suit for universal peace that shall not end until some tangible ground looking toward ultimate security shall have been reached.

> The end crowns all: And that common old arbitrator, Time.

Will one day end it. It is too early, of course, for rhapsodies as to "the world's last great war," and yet it is fair to believe with the bard that the "common old arbitrator, Time," will one day end all, war included. That will be a day when humanity is more humane and wisdom wiser than now, when the vulgar yearning for the fleshpots of avarice does not arbitrarily determine the privilege of life for scores of thousands of human beings.

The College Man.

In a little paper published by a western college appears the following:

It is estimated that since the United States was founded only one man in every 750 has gone to college. Yet this small number has furnished seventeen of the twenty-six presidents, nineteen of the twenty-seven vice presidents, and seventeen of the thirty-four persons in the Hall of Fame. It is estimated that only 1 per cent of the population are college people, but this 1 per cent has furnished twenty-nine of the fifty-one governors of the states and territories, sixty-one of the ninety-three United States senators, 272 of the 395 congressmen, and nine of the nine justices of the supreme court,

Assuming the accuracy of this statement, this makes out a mighty strong case for the college-bred man, at whom there has been more or less thoughtless sneering. These ratios, however, are steadily increasing. A reckoning ten years from now would show very much larger college attendances. Would it also show increases all along the relative line? That is the question. It is an old rule to require more of the man with the most light-a divine rule, indeed. It applies rigidly and justly to the product of higher education. All things considered, the world has a right to expect the plus mark from the man and woman enjoying these advantages. True, it is easier to get a college education today than it was fifty years and more ago, but that is no reason for lowering the standard of requirement of the finished product. On the other hand, the college curriculum of former years nowhere near approached that of today. It is said that a college course in Daniel Webster's time about matched our modern high school curriculum. Higher education must always mean higher aspirations and achievements, not only intellectually, but morally and physically.

From a Japanese writer we learn that Japan, aspiring to leadership in modernism in the orient, has taken the United States as its model. From which it may be concluded that Japan does not mean to wipe us out, for no one could wish to destroy his model at least before it has served its purpose.

Since he has been in office County Treasurer Ure has handled over \$32,000,000 without any of it sticking to his fingers. But his fake reform friend, District Court Clerk Robert Smith, is still desperately trying to hang on to thousands of dollars of fees that do not belong to

Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis read 1,000,000 pages of testimony in the Chicago sanitary canal case during the summer months. Yet the "learned counsel" of corporations often criticize the judge as wanting in patience and perseverance to reach bottom facts.

Our Star Spangled Banner anthem is now over a hundred years old, with more people singing it than ever. The modern song writer who can produce something that will survive two seasons considers himself lucky.

Secretary Bryan is going to wind up the

campaign, as usual, in Nebraska, and when he

appears all the little democratic prairie dogs that have been yelping will suddenly take to It is said the Russians have adopted the "flying wedge" method of attack. Now, if they would only enlist America's seasoned gridiron

players they might learn the real way to do it. No, the World's series has not been postponed nor declared off. For the first time, however, it has powerful competition for front

People and Events

Straw hats are steadily retreating southward. They evacuated Memphis. October L

Philadelphia doesn't care a continental where victory may land in the great war. Conny Mack has captured another pennant and the chestnut crop is a bumper

Mrs. Eleanor M. Hayes of Philadelphia won the angling laurels for her sex by landing two huge channel bass near Avalon, N. J. One of them weighed fiftyfive pounds, the record catch of the sea-

A recent investigation shows that between 500 and 1,000 families in Chicago gravitate from the city pay roll in summer to the country relief bureau in win-As workers they get \$2.25 a day. paupers they cost the county \$500,000 yearly. Easy money with the bark on. Judges of the newly created municipal

court of Philadelphia have such airy notions of judicial dignity that nothing less than a marble building can give the proper decorative touch to Quaker City justice. What is more the marble building is coming their way and \$2,000 000 to polish it. Owing to the strength of a few barrels

of Pennsylvania sauerkraut in one of the tramp steamers in the harbor of Baltiharbor police were led to investigate. Beneath the scent a fine stock of contraband of war goods was found and confiscated. What happened to the sauerkraut did not get by the censor. A business embracing the distribution

of coal and ice carries in reserve a glad hand which the weather man cannot chill or blister. If it is too warm for coal, the glad hand insinuates the ice cake; if it is too cool for ice the coal bin perks up and gets what is coming to it. You may talk about the weather, but you can't lose the combination.

SIGNPOSTS OF PROGRESS.

The steel trust spends \$750,000 a year in safety devices.

There are more than 100,000 cloakmakers in New York City.

Belfast, last year, sold 1,902 tons of thread to the United States. A little less than 40 per cent of Canada s

export business is done with the United States. British oceanography expedition will travel 21,000 miles on its sea-charting ox-

pedition in the next six years. Allowing for losses in slack season, three-quarters of the women workers in New York City receive less than \$400 a

Mrs. Clara S. Butler of Cleveland. O. has invented and patented a device which eliminates the harsh metallic sounds in a phonograph.

A Berlin professor estimates the commercial value in electricity of a flash of lightning lasting for one-thousandth of a second at 29 cents. The parcel post system has been estab-

lished between the United States and Apla, the rates being the same as from the United States to Germany. Jamaica produces a great variety of hardwood trees. Lists of its timbers,

classified according to the suitability of the timbers (113 in all) have been printed in a bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture. An industrial community not to be surpassed anywhere else in the world is revealed in New York by the census bureau report upon gainfu army corps of carpenters, three corps of

wage-earning occupations in 1910. AROUND THE WORLD.

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domestic servants-in all 2.152,433 persons,

or 45.2 per cent of all-were engaged in

China is increasing eigarette imports. Sugar is made in Africa from cactus plants.

Metal bedsteads are in popular demand in Siam. Violet light is being used in France to test gems.

Spain finds trade with Cuba rapidly decreasing. New Zealand hotel employes work six days a week Potatoes are successfully grown in

Yukon territory About one-third of Great Britain's telegraphers are women India does a large business in

manufacture and sale of glue. India will establish a \$500,000 engineering college at a suburb of Madras. Philippine sugar harvest, especially in Hollo, is said to be the largest since 1908.

St. Pierre, Martinique, destroyed in 1902 by earthquake, has never been rebuilt. Automobiles are becoming popular in

Beirut, Syria. Already twenty-seven cars are registered. The fiber of a plant growing extensively

in Argentina has been found to possess qualities similar to the kapok of the Philippines. The world's greatest deposit of wolfra-

mite, the mineral from which tungsten is obtained, now being exploited in the world, is in Portugal.

CURIOUS BITS OF LIFE.

A Pennsylvania farmer is feeding his pigs on peaches and cream to produce ham of fine flavor. After many years of effort a Berlin in-

ventor has succeeded in building a model man that can walk, talk, sing, laugh and whistle. In encourage enlistment the Manches-

ter Home Trade association of England

decided to give recruits four weeks' pay on leaving, re-engagement guaranty, half pay while serving, special terms to single men with dependents and three weeks' holiday after the war. A copy of the official declaration of peace between England and the United

Netherlands, of 1667, was recently sold in London, together with other proclamations, pamphlets, broadsides and newssheets. The phamphlet brought \$280. This was the treaty which gave New York to England. A hackman of Kennebec, Me., found this order written on his state: "Joe-

Send hacks and wagons in time to carry the following to the Bar Harbor train: One wife, two nurses; three servants, four children, five trunks, four values, three grips, two bundles, one me (outside preferred). Reul Hanscome of Freeport, Me, re-

cently found a wallet containing \$11.45 that he lost three years ago. At that time he was working in a hay field. Since then the hay was gathered three times without a trace of the missing pocketbook, but Mr. Hanscome found it lying among some hayseed on the barn floor.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT

Detroit Free Press: An Illinots minister refuses to pray for peace, saying let them fight it out. This is carrying neutrality to the limit.

Claveland Plain Dealer: Philadelphia as a new kind of a church. It has no pastor, no enrolled membership and no denomination. The dispatch does not state whether they have also succeeded rians eliminating the religion or not.

Houston Post: It is strange how many inisters are now preaching on "Figus" the Times" and prophesying the end of the world. Still, we observe no deneighbor at every opportunity and no rush of tightwads to pay poll taxes.

Protestant Episcopal church, to which Boston Transcript. his radical and aggressive Christianity was a tonic. One could not hear him even once in the pulpit without profoundly respecting his earnestness, his him.-New York Times. carnest conviction and his devotion to carnest conviction and his devotion to "A hand of women has been found out the things he believed. One did not need who were engaged in the hold-up busithat such a man, holding a position of power in a church commonly notable for nurses. "How wicked!" "Not necessarily. They were children's nurses."—Baltimore American. is conservatism, was a vital force for extension of thought. To the cheap taunt that religion prepares its followers for a world to come, while it ignores the affairs of this world, Bishop Spaulding's creaching, his life and his administrative of the configuration. Well, shall I say that he jumped from the frying pan into the fire?"

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"No; this happened in high life. Say the fire." preaching, his life and his administration of his diocese were a thorough refutation. Any great church would be stronger and better for more men like him, but such men are hard to find. The work which this one did will live after

HAMMER TAPS.

Some of the reformes seem to imagine that the only good men besides themselves are the dead men.

Talking about the necessities of life, the

time is not far distant when we will quit praying for our daily bread and pray for our daily gasoline. A lot of men wonder why girls close their eyes when they are being kissed.

But if the men would look into a mirror they would see the reason. When the husband thinks he could have done better and the wife thinks she couldn't have done worse, some divorce

lawyer gets the price of a new runsbout When the bride finds her thoughts wandering from him to the price of ham and eggs, the honeymoon goes down in the cellar and starts to hunt for a gas leak with a lighted match.

If a man stuck a pin in a pincushion every time he kissed his wife during the first year of his married life, and after that pulled out a pin every time he kissed her, it would take him about seven years to pull all the pins out.

The French and the Germans and the Belgians may imagine that they are up against a terrible proposition. But they should pity the poor Americans who have to listen to the din at every corner where big-mouthed warriors are deciding the European struggle with hot-air shells .-Cincinnati Enquirer

SAID IN FUN.

'I'm glad with my bald head I didn' live in the time when men painted rura' views on here skulla." "Yes, they would probably have painted a cabbase field on yours "-Baltimore American

Some of the smartest pesople in the world are vegetarians," said the obervant citizen.
Yes. The fact that they are vegeta rians shows that they are smart enough to beat the beef trust,"-Washington

"Don't you believe every woman should have a vote?" asked the Sweet Young Thing. "No." replied the Young Man. "But I have a eline of the tendency of man to skin his telieve every woman should have a

Brooklyn Eagle: The death of Bishop is going to join the rest of English women in knitting socks for the British soldiers? "Yes, I suppose that announcement is to keep them from getting cold feet."

Madge-You shouldn't say he's a con-firmed bachelor unless you know. Marjorie-But I do know: I confirmed

Mrs. Firth-My husband is a perfect

brute!
Friend—You amaze me!
Friend—You amaze me!
Mrs. Firth—Yes, he is. Since the baby began teething nothing will quiet the little angel but pulling papa's beard; and —would you believe it?—yesterday he went and had his beard shaved off!—Philadelphia Record.

Examiner-Now, William, if a man can to one-fourth of a piece of work in two days, how long will be take to finish it?
William—Is it a contract job or is he workin' by the day!—Life.

THE MEDIATOR.

"Blessed are the peacemakers for they hall inherit the kingdom of heaven."-

Holy Writ. Minna Irving in Leslie's

When warring kings and emperors From hattle seek surcease. They turn to kindly Uncle Sam Whose middle name is Peace. He puts aside the apple crop And lets the harvest wait, To listen to their grievances, And try to mediate.

No scepter glitters in his hand.
No lewels on his brow,
No royal ermine trims his coat,
Yet monarchs to him bow.
For in the councils of the world
To every creed and clan
He stands for peace, and represents
The brotherhood of man.

A good old-fashioned brother, he A good old-fashioned brother, he About his business goes.
And never meddles with the feuds Of either friends or foes.
But when they seek his aid to check A carnival of gore.
He is the first to help them sheathe Their crimson swords once more.

When future ages weigh the worth Of deeds immortal, lo!
To Uncle Sam the paim of peace
And meed of praise will go;
For it is not the hand of war
From fields of battle gory,
But peace that to a nation gives
The brightest crown of glory.

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Carload of Rexall Medicines and Toilet Articles From Boston

We have just received what we believe is the largest single shipment of medicines and Toilet Articles ever made to a single retail firm in Nebraska, viz: A full carload of goods from the United Drug Co. of Boston, which we are now storing in the north basement of our Loyal Hotel Drug Store, as our warehouse at 1514 Dodge St., which has a capacity of 270 running feet, was

already full to over-flowing. This carload of goods, which was purchased at "Before-the-War" prices, comprises Simple Drugs, Compounded Family Medicines, Toilet Powders, Talcums, Perfumes, Toilet Waters, Fruit

Juices, Toilet Soaps, Shaving Materials, etc. While a carload seems an unusual quantity for a retail firm to purchase, yet we have only figured on about 4 or 5 months supply on articles which have good keeping qualities, and only 30 days' supply on such articles as are of a perishable nature our consumption of this firm's products during the fiscal year, ending July 1st, 1914, being about 3 cars, but all obtained by local shipments from the St. Louis or Chicago Distributing

Houses or the home plant in Boston. A word might be said about the wonderful growth of the United Drug Co., which was formed in September, 1912, at the Brunswick Hotel in Boston, and which now has 7,000 agents located in the principal cities and towns of every state in this union, as well as the Canadian Provinces and the British Isles.

Sherman & McConnell Drug Co., 16th and Dodge Sts. Owl Drug Co., 16th and Harney Sts. Harvard Pharmacy, 24th and Farnam Sts. Loyal Pharmacy, 207-9 North 16th St.