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Folks who are growling for snow seem to forget that our winter is all before us.

Taken all in all, however, Omaha has been extremely fortunate in the matter of fire losses.

At any rate, no Russian warship has so far fired by mistake on any fleet of fishermen's trawlers.

With its 60,000 automobiles, Nebraska ought to be able to spare a few horses without seriously missing them.

If they could invent a painless bullet to accompany the noiseless powder, maybe war would not be that, after all.

To need to worry about the middle west and the canal. We will soon be there with a lot of rocks in our pocket.

A San Francisco judge holds court in a barn and, as might be expected, a paragrapher hopes "his decision may be a stable one."

Not only does Mr. Marshall of Indiana think President Wilson good enough for re-election, but he thinks the same of the vice president.

Our Nebraska democrats waging their 1916 campaign with a prohibition plank in their platform would be a fitting subject for the movies.

Here is an American, once a poor boy, now risen to a fortune of \$77,000,000. All of which goes to show that rising is still good in America.

Secretary Bryan and Senator Hitchcock spoke from the same platform at the Auditorium meeting in Omaha, but evidently that is as close as they got.

With Turkish and Mexican questions critical, Secretary Bryan nevertheless found time for a week-end scout out to Chicago on another spell-binding tour.

But don't forget how much Uncle Sam grew and expanded under the national banking system before it was supplemented by this new federal reserve topping.

The secrecy thrown about reports as the Germans go on toward Russia may be to give the Kaiser's censors time to learn to pronounce the names of the towns.

And still, railroads striving to get on closer terms with the people will not have exhausted their resources until they have done all they should toward protecting grade crossings.

The funny part of it is that here in Nebraska the newspapers that were most loudly boastful of their progressiveness are the ones that insist on standing pat on the long ballot.

The drys promise not to start anything in the impending legislature if the wets refrain from starting anything. It might be the part of wisdom for neither side to borrow needless trouble.

"The pressure was so poor out here," says Fire Chief Salter. How can that be with our municipally owned and operated water plant? If the water pressure is deficient the remedy must now be in our own hands.

Passing of Another Sturdy Pioneer. The death of Harry Porter Deuel removes another of our pioneers who came to Omaha when it was scarcely more than a hamlet and helped to make the city what it is.

Thirty Years Ago. This Day in Omaha. The fair for the benefit of the German-American school was held in Germania hall, the booths being in charge of various groups of women, as follows: Kirchner, the Misses Weiss, Schupp, dolls, Madeline Schaffer, Reichenberg, Huberman; fancy work, Madeline Mendelsohn, Kuehn, Bauris; cigars, Madeline Anders, Stoecker, Fries; raffles, Madeline Mayman, Windheim, Weinhagen; flowers, Louis Heimrod, Garnish and Miss Fisher; fruits, Mrs. George Harwood, Miss Pundt, Miss Krug, Rebecca's well, Albert Cain, Mrs. Andrew Rosewater, Miss Lehma, Miss Newman; postoffice, Mrs. Dako, Mrs. Schnacke; Miss Roeder; fishing ponds, Madeline Schultz, Kaufmann, Sihnold, Roebeker, Miss Harman, Miss Meyer; scales, the Misses Pundt, Krug, Stratman.

Mr. A. Naab, general agent, requests all ministers wishing half-fare permits over the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul route to make application at the ticket office before December 1.

Charles Shiverick, the furniture man, and his family have gone to Texas to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Eddy are back from St. Louis. Frank A. Wood, a popular young man studying law in the office of John L. Webster, died of typhoid fever.

The finder of a pair of gold-bowed spectacles, lost on Davenport street, is requested to leave them at St. Barnabas' rectory, corner Twentieth and California.

Evacuation of Vera Cruz. Those predisposed to criticize the administration's Mexican policy will find some ground for objecting to the evacuation of Vera Cruz at a time when stable government, if not protection of life itself in some parts, seems as doubtful as when our troops went to this port.

First, the taste these Mexicans have had of American government, though military, gives them a very favorable impression of it. Many of them have been loud in their praises of the political, moral and sanitary improvements wrought under General Funston, declaring they had never known as wholesome conditions of living under their own regular government.

The second point is that the United States has absolutely demonstrated, not only to Mexico, but all of Latin America, that we have no plan or desire for territorial aggrandizement south of the Rio Grande.

General Funston took over the customs revenues, but he leaves a snug \$1,000,000 to be duly covered to the proper Mexican authorities as a result. He leaves sanitary conditions such as Vera Cruz never knew before and he leaves a mighty healthful feeling toward him and his government.

A Slump for Senate Insurgents. It is interesting to note from Mr. Bryan's Commoner that what has caused the greatest joy to the Wilson administration out of the election is the increase in the democratic majority in the senate by the election of three new senators to fill seats formerly occupied by republicans.

Caught in a Tight Corner. The only response The Bee's exposure of that election fake has been able to elicit from the Kearney Hub is as follows: The Hub heard the story emanating from Omaha, and passed it along. Any person is entitled to make comparisons and draw conclusions, and slight variation in the figures showing a preponderance of voters on the governorship does not matter.

Double Consolation. President Wilson has repudiated the statement attributed to him that "under no circumstances would this country be provoked into war by Turkish outrages."

Aimed at Omaha. Kearney Hub: Reading that the "noon cigarette" has been tabooed in the Omaha High school might lead one to wonder whether that has been the regular thing, and whether the ban applies to girls as well as boys.

Right of the Negro. SOUTH OMAHA, Nov. 23.—To the Editor of The Bee: I am surprised at the contents of a letter in the letter box by one "David." If the amendment to the United States constitution, which means to place all citizens equally with the white man, and it was voted for and placed there by a majority vote of the white men, so if it is not right a majority of the citizens are to blame for it, and while it is law I believe in every citizen, white or black, to be a law-abiding citizen.

People and Events. Boston prides itself in its baked beans. Philadelphia in its scrapple, Baltimore in its chicken, Omaha in its pumpkin pie.

War in Dollars and Cents. Yes Gayot in November Everybody's. Past Experience of Little Use. The cost of past wars will be little use to us in estimating the cost of the present European war, for each of the important factors of cost has enormously increased even since the last great conflict was waged.

The factors which I shall consider are three: the cost price of the military operations themselves; the losses resulting from interruption of production; and the loss of human life.

The Cost of Military Operations. In estimating this element, the length of the war is of course supremely important. What, then, are the possibilities of the duration of the present war?

The mobilization of the Austrian army since the end of 1913 has drained its budget. I do not know how great a loan the Austrian government can place.

What is the cost of a soldier in a campaign? A German, Herr Riehl, estimates the cost price between 16 and 12 cents, or \$2.50 to \$3 per day. The estimates made in Great Britain and France vary between these two figures.

Now, what are the amounts of capital available in each country? The report of the English census of production of 1907, drawn up by W. Flux, estimates that during this year a sum between \$1,000,000,000 and \$1,700,000,000 served to provide for additions to stocks of durable goods for personal enjoyment, and for new capital investments at home and abroad.

And to the daily expenditure for men and horses must be added the consumption of ammunition, the wear and tear of clothing, arms, cannon, the destruction of railroads, bridges, etc. War destroys everything and produces nothing.

Beatrice Sun: To have athletics clean and free from the taint of dirty work is worth more than all the victories in the world. The Beatrice High school is to be congratulated upon the spirit of fairness which is emphasized in the teaching of the athletic sports here.

Ohlows Spotlight: The Omaha Bee says that the foot and mouth disease had spread to the democratic donkey. "Omaha Bee: Well, some may doubt the foot disease."

Fairbury News: The Omaha Bee speaks of the bull moose "pre-empting the sick bed." The Bee is mistaken again. It is not a sick bed, it is a morgue.

Hamilton Sugar Prospects. NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—To the Editor of The Bee: Until the European war broke out we have experienced the result of a democratic administration. Wide-spread commercial and industrial distress—enormous increase of imported goods, with exports decreasing, factories closed down or working on half time, and an immense army of unemployed, strikes and unrest throughout the land, with living expenses higher than ever before.

The sugar industry, which was threatened with absolute annihilation by the democrats, making sugar free a year hence, is now probably safe, for it would seem to be an impossibility for the present duty to be taken off.

When the war broke out granulated sugar was worth about 4 cents, and immediately jumped up to 7 cents, and is now about 5 1/2 cents, distinctively proving the wisdom of the republican party in its endeavor to protect the sugar industry that it would rapidly develop throughout the land, and in due time would be self-sufficient and even exporting.

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Note—This statement of the present and prospective industrial outlook is from J. G. Hamilton, widely known as one of the pioneers of the beet sugar industry, and who will be remembered as having had charge of the factories at Grand Island and Norfolk, now living in New York.

Dilatory Paving Contractors. OMAHA, Nov. 22.—To the Editor of The Bee: Frequent reminders by Commissioner McGovern that street paving contractors must fulfill their contracts or suffer the consequences in civil damages convince most people, I imagine, of Mr. McGovern's sincerity in the matter, but why not go ahead and apply the full test in just one case?

Should Holland be drawn into the vortex of war and the Dutch soldiers go forward arrayed in all the glory of the balloon trousers affected by the picturesque natives of Edan and Volendam, there is hardly a doubt but that the spectacle would cause the enemy to scream for mercy or scot for talk timber.

The court houses and several churches in New York City are constantly guarded against mysterious bomb threats. Eighteen bombs have been placed in various public buildings in three months, several of which exploded and caused much damage.

Which some of his ilk have been hooking onto in rather large amounts. This fellow ought to go as a "good riddance of bad rubbish," and he would if justice were done the people by those in charge of affairs in the city hall. L. Q. MCS.

Editorial Shrapnel. St. Louis Globe-Democrat: A German general says that "it's never over till the ninth inning." He might have added that sometimes the game is called on account of darkness.

Pittsburgh Dispatch: A submarine with the speed of a modern battle cruiser and able to steam 3,500 miles without replenishing its fuel sounds quite threatening. But might not a little one be less noticeable to the ships that could fight or get away as suited them best?

Indianapolis News: There need be no fear that the American people will fall to do their duty by the sufferers in the old world. When a great disaster happens anywhere the world looks to the people of the United States to lead in the campaign of relief.

The silver lining—it is there. Mid all our sorrow and our care, So sweet, so true, so bright, so pure—Be brave, oh heart, that we may see Through all we have to know and be That they are best who best endure. To bear it with an earnest will—The silver lining gloweth still.

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CHEERY CHAFF. "You think that man has more money than brains?" "Yes," replied Miss Cayenne; "and I don't believe he has much money, at that."—Washington Star.

General Joffre—You must be prepared to die rather than yield ground, no matter how small. General Hindenburg—Don't prepare the enemy—beat him. —Cleveland Plaindealer.

"I like Dr. Bolus. He's the finest doctor there is." "Indeed?" "Indeed! When you have nothing the matter with you he recommends a Florida trip. Says a trip in time often wards off a serious illness."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Pater (composed)—The old-fashioned dime novel has been withdrawn from circulation. Small Boy (consoling)—Yes, but, pa, I can take you to one at the movies.—Life.

Baltimore Sun. There is no cloud can hide for long the beauty of the breath of song. In dark and heavy folds, we cry. They hang above us in the sky. But sweetness through the silver day. Soon blows the drarest gale away. And upward to the sun we shine. Mid old revealing grown divine.

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