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The big tractor show at Fremont is bound to be a powerful drawing card.

Carranza's "cabinet" at least knows what to do when it holds the trump cards.

One thing may be said in favor of the weather-man; he has been absolutely impartial.

When it comes to showing recuperative powers, no one can put it over King Corn.

If the president can only keep us out of industrial war now, he will be acclaimed a great peace-maker.

The debate between the belligerents as to who owns the ocean may yet be determined by the neutrals.

In 1896 we had a presidential ticket with two tails and now we are to have one properly tailed, but with no head.

A Kansas City uplifter tells us we are threatened with the "woman tramp." Why not? Is man to have all the privileges?

The Bee's free milk and ice fund is working all the time relieving the needs of hot weather babies. A good thing—push it along!

No A B C business in the present negotiations with Mexico! The South American annex had its uses while the "stalling" was going on, but is not needed now.

Well, if that's the way it works, let all the summer excursionists get together and rebuke the shameless combine between the railroads and the Interstate Commerce commission.

Yes, Omaha wants a free Missouri river bridge for the autoists and it also wants a new Union depot for railway passengers and neither should be permitted to crowd the other out.

Will the federal land bank board make the district to fit a preferred location for the bank? Or will it constitute the district regardless of the competing cities in it? The answer is the meat in the cocoon.

Democratic spokesmen in congress are kindly furnishing us examples of federal regulation supplanting state control when they refer to the lottery business and white slave suppression.

Unfortunately, not all of the "distinguished American writers" with "small interest in political parties" are as open and honest as Meredith Nicholson in admitting that he is for Wilson because he is "a party man, a democrat," who swallowed both Bryan and Parker and maintains his "regularity" by voting in the democratic primaries. The others are just as intensely partisan democrats but not so frank in avowal.

Discouraging Weakness
Collier's Weekly.

The visit of the submarine freighter Deutschland seemed notable, first of all, in verifying ro-mancer Jules Verne. Also one thrilled to the daring of Captain Koenig and his crew. Incidentally, the Deutschland created a remarkable diversion at a time when Germans were as hungry for good news as for good food.

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Wind-Up of the Bull Moose Party.

The action, or rather inaction, of the bull moose conference at Indianapolis means the wind-up of that party and its speedy extinction as a national political organization.

The conference has decided not to reassemble the national convention to make another nomination for president. The reason for this is obvious, for an attempt to reconvene the delegates who met at Chicago last June either would disclose a majority of them, if all should attend, to be supporting Hughes or the absence of those who have rejoined the republican party would show what a mere handful the irreconcilables make. The members of the Indianapolis conference, composed now of assistant democrats, do not want to take a chance on a bull moose convention officially substituting Hughes in the vacancy left by Roosevelt's declination and so propose to go on with a leaderless ticket composed only of John M. Parker as nominee for vice president, Parker himself being a Louisiana democrat whose progressivism stops short of joining any party like the republican party that does not draw a color line. Even though a bull moose electoral ticket is put up in a few states, in none of them can there be the slightest hope of winning out and the party will cut less of a figure nationally than did even the populists in any election before their disintegration.

It is idle to debate whether the bull moose party has, or has not, fulfilled a mission. It must, however, be clear to everyone open to conviction that the objects at which the party aimed, insofar as they have intrinsic merit, are attainable only through the republican party. Sincere bull mooseers will waste no more time or effort on a third party movement but will accept the leadership of Hughes and exert themselves for his election.

Does Carranza "Come Clean"?

Senor Carranza is evidently quite willing to settle with the United States, but on his own terms, and unless a great change in policy takes place at Washington, this will be the basis for the negotiations soon to be entered into. His note, in reply to that from the United States, recently dispatched to Mexico, completely ignores the suggestion that the relations between our country and the revolutionists below the border be considered in their entirety. Carranza instructs his commissioners to devote their attention to points he himself has outlined, which have to do with the presence of American troops south of the border, and conditions that will govern in the matter of protecting the border from further forays by bandits. The weightier questions as to reparation for outrages of the past, guaranty of good behavior for the future, and establishment of orderly and responsible government are not to be considered.

Carranza is wiser if not wiser than Mr. Wilson and his advisers. The first chief has just declared his intention of resigning his office and entering the lists as a candidate for president, at an election to be called when the military junta now in power deems it expedient. Senor Venustiano has no intention of going before his countrymen, handicapped by the accusation of having entered into negotiation with the Gringo over any detail of the Mexican government. Moreover, he intends to adopt a new constitution for Mexico, and doesn't especially care to be hampered in fixing its scope by any inconvenient consultations or agreements in progress between his commissioners and those of the United States. The first chief may be neither a statesman nor a general, but he is showing signs of political cunning that would do credit to a Tammany chieftain.

On our side is Mr. Wilson, who has "kept the country out of war," but who, none the less, has the entire land force of the United States lined up along the border of Mexico, and is calling for more men to go there, where "peace still rages unabated." Unless he can bring off something more definite with Carranza than is at present in prospect, his Mexican policy becomes more of a farce than ever.

Problem of the Toll Bridges.

The question of a free bridge is part and parcel of the good roads problem which is pressing for solution. It is a chronic eyecore and an increasingly annoying impediment to the growth and prosperity of this great center of population that the toll collector stands in the way of transportation and traffic between the eastern and western portions of this community.—World-Herald.

Straight to the point, but still the objection to the toll collector levying tribute on transportation between Omaha and Council Bluffs applies also to the toll collector who holds up traffic on bridges which travelers must cross in interior parts of Nebraska. The framers of the republican state platform perceived this evil and have promised the remedy in the good roads plank. The republican pledge commits republican candidates not only to best efforts for road improvement through a fully empowered state highway commission and by qualifying for our share of the federal good roads appropriation, but adds, "As a part of the good roads program we favor elimination of toll bridges so that the use of the highways from one end of the state to the other shall be free to all." No such plank is to be found in the democratic platform.

The bridge between Omaha and Council Bluffs is, and must be, an interstate crossing requiring joint action by public authorities on both sides of the river and possibly national legislation. We can tackle the problem of the toll bridges over the Platte, and other streams wholly within our own state boundaries, through our own lawmakers, and "without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation on earth."

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Thought Nugget for the Day.

All progress of the best kind is slow, but to him who works faithfully and zealously the reward will be vouchsafed in good time.—Samuel Smiles.

One Year Ago Today in the War.

Petrograd reported Germans defeated before Riga. Austro-German army captured Warsaw, storming the city's last defenses.

Italians drove Austrians out of fortifications at two points on eastern front. French driven from crest of Lingekopf, but threw back Germans elsewhere in Alsace.

This Day in Omaha Thirty Years Ago.

Ed Maurer of this city was the recipient of a huge green sea turtle weighing 130 pounds, which came all the way from Fulton Market, New York City.

The Nebraska Oil company, dealers in oil and gasoline, have opened an office at W. F. Stoetzel's Store and Hardware store, Howard, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth.

J. A. Woods of the firm of J. A. Woods & Co., proprietors of the Fourteenth Street Sample rooms, has gone to Providence, R. I., where he has been called by the death of his uncle, who has left him a handsome legacy.

Senator Metz has returned from a trip through the southern part of the state. The Union Hydraulic Tile company elected the following officers at their last meeting: A. R. Souer, president; R. J. Clark, vice president; and Jeff W. Bedford, secretary and treasurer.

The Water Works company has just finished putting in all new boilers in its engine rooms near the river. In connection with these boilers, a new smoke-consuming apparatus has been put in which does away with the smoke nuisance entirely.

Julius Festner has returned to Omaha, after many interesting adventures and hair-breadth escapes abroad and greets his friends with the same broad smile as of yore.

Today in History.

1816—Indiana held its first state election. 1848—Milan capitulated to the Austrians under Marshal Radetzky.

1858—First telegraphic message received in New York from London by the Atlantic telegraph.

1861—Flogging was abolished in the United States army.

1888—General Philip H. Sheridan, brilliant civil war commander, died at Nonquitt, Mass. Born at Albany, N. Y., March 6, 1831.

1896—George T. Anthony, former governor of Kansas, died at Topeka. Born at Matfield, N. Y., June 19, 1824.

1897—A tidal wave destroyed many towns and thousands of lives on the coast of Japan.

1900—Marriage of King Alexander of Serbia and Madame Draga Machin in Belgrade. Both were subsequently assassinated.

1901—Death of the Dowager Empress Frederick of Germany, eldest daughter of Queen Victoria and mother of the present German emperor.

1903—Andrew Carnegie made a gift of \$2,500,000 to his native town of Dunfermline, Scotland.

1910—Pilgrim monument at Provincetown, Mass., dedicated with elaborate ceremony, the principal address being delivered by President William Howard Taft.

1912—The sultan of Turkey dissolved Parliament and declared martial law in Constantinople.

This Is the Day We Celebrate.

Dr. Ralph W. Connell, city health commissioner, was born August 5, 1859, at Cron Lake, New York. He graduated in medicine in Cincinnati and located in Richwood until 1884, when he came to Omaha, where he has since been practicing medicine.

J. O. Detweiler is just 53. He was born in Chambersburg, Pa., and put out his shingle first in Shelby, Neb., in 1886. He has been practicing law in Omaha since 1892 and was a member of the school board for two terms.

C. D. Sturtevant, secretary-treasurer of Cavers-Sturtevant company, was born August 5, 1878, in Chicago. He is a graduate of the Chicago Law school and has been in the grain business since 1893 and in Omaha for sixteen years.

Arthur F. McAdams, district commercial manager for the Nebraska Telephone company, is thirty-six years old today. He was born in Marcelline, Ill.

Dr. Frank Strong, chancellor of the University of Kansas, born at Venice, N. Y., fifty-seven years ago today.

J. C. W. Beckham, United States senator from Kentucky, born at Bardonia, Ky., forty-seven years ago today.

Rear Admiral Theodore F. Jewell, U. S. N., retired, born at Georgetown, D. C., seventy-two years ago today.

Dr. James M. Taylor, for many years president of Vassar college, born in Brooklyn, N. Y., sixty-eight years ago today.

Dr. Thomas Carr Howe, president of Butler college, born at Charlestown, Ind., forty-nine years ago today.

Colonel Jacob C. Ruppert, president of the New York American league base ball club, born in New York City, forty-nine years ago today.

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HUGHES' ACCEPTANCE.

New York World (Dem.): Mr. Hughes' speech of acceptance is the public confession of a candidate who is without an issue and without a policy.

New York Tribune: One clear note runs through the whole of Mr. Hughes' speech of acceptance, and that is a challenge of incapacity, an indictment of failure.

Washington Post: The first speech of acceptance is unquestionably a strong attack. The country will now wait eagerly to hear how Mr. Wilson meets it.

Troy Times: Even the Wilson smile and the Hingual fancy of the White House might be supposed to hesitate under the terrific assault made by the orderly assembling of facts at Carnegie hall last night.

Philadelphia Inquirer: "America first and America efficient." It is a long road to travel to reach that goal. If we are going to accept on a realistic basis a plan that is to be put into effect next by the election of Charles E. Hughes president of the United States.

Philadelphia Ledger: His enemies and the enemies of "America first and America efficient" must find better weapons of attack than the whole case. If they win, their paramount consideration must be America's interests, and their task the devianment and execution of policies serving those interests.

Washington Star (Ind.): "America first and America efficient." Could the republicans ask for