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All roads lead to Mr. McAdoo's office these days.

Do not overlook the thrift stamp - "baby bonds" will help to win.

The weather man has ceased to play favorites with his cold wave, but that does not help warm the house.

President Wilson's single-track mind may yet have to develop a turnout of some kind so far as his cabinet is concerned.

We have profited by the mistakes the British made, but we have made enough blunders of our own to balance the account.

Well, exchanging a colonel's uniform for a senatorial toga is not such a bad trade, if the deal only can be put through.

The cold wave was bad enough as such, but when it got mixed up with a series of tornadoes, as it did down south, it became a terrible visitation.

Secretary Baker's smile is poor camouflage for the many deficiencies he has admitted.

Uncle Sam's army has had one imperative job to do on it at home - the capture and punishment of the bloody butcher guilty of the awful crime at Camp Funston.

Omaha's municipal court is setting a very bad example both as to nepotism and fee-grabbing, but it is hard to dislodge a democrat, once he connects with the pay roll.

The Bolshevik threat of repudiation is opening the way to a fine harvest for speculators in foreign securities.

Politics as a Profession.

Frederick M. Davenport, writing to the Outlook from Philadelphia after attending the sociological convention there, puts himself down as favoring the profession of politics for young men.

He reaches his conclusion after considering the various elements that enter our social and political life, and the necessity in his opinion of arriving at some solution that will do away with much of the disorder that now characterizes our attempts at government.

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He cites the recent city election in New York as a good illustration of his point.

Here an attempt was made to hand down an effective form of government from above, and the defeat of the plan by an organization that keeps in touch with the people is a most impressive illustration of its futility.

Tammany knows what the people want, or think they want, which amounts to the same thing, and at least promises it to them, wasting no time on studied efforts at "reform," no matter how attractive the field in this regard.

To meet this young men should be trained not alone in political science, but in "practical" politics.

They should be kept in close range of mankind, to the end that they will understand the impulses and emotions of the multitude, and will have an appeal to some other sentiment than mere economy and efficiency.

In this way a confidence may be developed that will eventually lead to a better system in our governmental life and a nearer approach to the ideals of liberty combined with efficiency.

Time to Do Something.

President Wilson is reported from Washington to have expressed his full confidence in the capacity of Secretary of War Baker and Secretary of Navy Daniels.

Secretary Baker has been busy for some time explaining to congress and apologizing for delays. He has admitted that our army is not equipped for service, but says it will be.

Secretary Daniels is yet to have his turn, but he will be given full opportunity to explain how it comes that the call for ships and more ships has been answered by continual strife inside the shipping board.

Our nation is at war; our situation is serious and conditions on the battle front are critical. A million and a half of our best men are with the colors and another million and a half are waiting the call.

Complaint on this score does not arise from partisanship. It is a protest against incompetency, demonstrated inability to do things.

Citizenship in Nebraska. Some headway is making in the demand that aliens be deprived of the right to vote in Nebraska.

Disclosures made possible by the selective draft law have astonished those who come into contact with the truth.

Federal Control of Capital Issues. The business world now knows what the president had in mind when he said no borrowing must be allowed to run against the government's borrowing.

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Palestine as a Jewish Fatherland

Washington, D. C. Jan. 10. - A resolution pending in the house of representatives congratulates the British government on declaring in favor of "the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people."

And that great longing for organic coherence, which any human being can only feel towards one country, even if he loves another country, too - that longing has seized them with a peculiar strength.

On the other hand, it does not apply in America or at least only in a very attenuated form. Some thoughtful American Jews have looked with doubt on a politically autonomous Jewish nation which might undertake to speak for the Jews of the world.

It has come to the surface very plainly in England, however, where the formal declaration of the cabinet that "His majesty's government views with favor the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people and will use its best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of this object."

Neither the league nor most of the American Jews who are not supporting the independent nation government are opposed to Zionism insofar as it means the settlement of Jews in Palestine.

Washington Time Wasters. Of all war commodities time is the most precious, because it is irreplaceable.

People and Events. Every day is becoming a wheatless day in Cuba. Women are employed as guards on New York subway trains and as conductors on Brooklyn trolley cars.

Sign Posts of Progress. Chicago's journeymen barbers propose to boost prices to 25 cents for shaves and 50 cents each for haircuts and shampoos.

Odd Bits of Life. Engineers estimate that standing four inches away from the telephone when talking is equivalent to lengthening the line 218 miles.

The Unlucky Seventh. York News-Times: No matter what the excuse may be, there always will be in the minds of the people of Nebraska, a doubt as to the justice of the treatment accorded the men of the "Unlucky" Seventh.

Just 30 Years Ago Today. The Omaha Fair and Exposition Association has decided to maintain the annual exposition with the additional determination of making every one of them more interesting as the years go by.

Today. One Year Ago Today in the War. British attacks north of Amers pushed Germans back toward Serre.

The Day We Celebrate. Ellery H. Westerfield, attorney-at-law, born 1870.

Henry L. Dillon, superintendent of the Bradstreet company at Omaha, born 1879.

Edward S. Westbrock, treasurer of the Trans-Mississippi Grain company, born 1868.

William H. Wood of the Union Stock Yards, born 1866.

Sir Alfred Yarrow, England's greatest shipbuilder, born 75 years ago today.

Duke of Kosta, one of the chief directors of the Italian military operations, born at Genoa, 79 years ago today.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh, veteran British statesman, born 69 years ago today.

Around the Cities

Mayor Van Lear of Minneapolis applauds and endorses Secretary Wilson's statement of the country's war aims.

A survey of the dance halls of Chicago shows 17 kissing dance halls, eight for kissing, 11 for hugging, seven for fighting and in 80 per cent of the public dance halls the moral and local laws are dead ones.

Women as mail carriers are not a success in St. Louis, according to Postmaster Selph.

The 1917 report of the New York board of health showed a reduction of the death rate in the greater city to 13.79 per thousand, the lowest yet attained.

The founder of Helena, Mont., Jacob Scherrer, just "crossed the range" at Denver, aged 80.

John Kendrick Bangs in Life. Three cents to mail a letter now - But I can tell you anyhow.

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DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

Road Commissioners - But who is to pay for such a fine road as you propose?

"I love the ground you walk on." "You inconstant rascal, I know you've been engaged to foster railroads."

"Poor old Grimes! So he's gone at last. What a man he was to run after widows."

"What's the matter, old chap?" "I fear I am only on the edge of old age."

"In that case, why don't you join one of these community centers?" - Kansas City Journal.

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