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extremists of the two great branches of the republican party—progressive and conservative, or radical and reactionary. If you please—are conspicuously represented among the senators who are for a league with reservations if there is to be a league, but whose authentic position is that they are for no league.

It will not thus commit the party to courses which are not in accord either with the sentiment of the great body of its members, or of the people generally.

Return of the Asquiths to prominence in British politics... The return of the Asquiths to prominence in British politics is a subject which has been discussed in the past.

It is not necessary to acquit the senate in order to fasten the prime responsibility on the president. There has been too much politics, personal and party, in the entire matter.

It is not the desire, however, of his party, nor of the majority of the republican party, to see a new oil issue come up.

It is not a sufficient explanation that they were in the minority, and must yield to the majority, nor that they and the president were tactically outgeneraled, nor that they had come wrong and Senator Lodge and his group were right.

Enough people already know that farm work is hard work to make discussion of this phase of the question superfluous; the issue now before the country, as an agricultural matter, is not a political one.

THE TEACHERS' STRIKE... The United States bureau of education brings statistics bearing on the shortage of teachers for the public schools of the nation nearly up to date with its estimate that the number of schools closed on February 15 because they were unable to obtain teachers was 108,273.

THE LATEST PHASE IN GERMANY... Sudden collapse of the counter-revolution in Germany has given rise to suspicion in some quarters that the whole affair was a piece of camouflage constructed on a grand scale for the purpose of impressing the allies with the necessity of revising the Versailles treaty.

THE COLLEGE AGE... Stephens college, a comparatively small denominational school in central Missouri, which has recently acquired prominence by making provision for a dean of education at \$10,000 a year and a woman professor at a salary of \$5,000.

GASOLINE AS A PUBLIC NECESSITY... The first of the California railroad commission against the advance in the price of gasoline by the Standard Oil company of California is a subject which has become a necessity of equal rank with coal, and that its price should be controlled.

PLANT MAGIC... A Californian who asserts that he has discovered a law of nature by obedience to which he is able to double the size of plants in two generations, and thereafter to go on increasing "until that size is obtained which is desired for continuous use."

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By and by, when half the people have cures, there may be a chance to get a jury that will convict a thief. Being mayor of an Irish city these times is no safer a job than that of car.

THE SUREST WEST... The sixty-seventh anniversary of the erection of the commonwealth of Washington, consisting of the north-west half of what in 1853 was the territory of Oregon, brings to mind the amazing development of the whole west in the space of less than a lifetime.

GOVERNOR STEVENS' SON... Governor Stevens' son, Hazard Stevens, says that the governor "repeatedly prepared his own instructions. No historian, if this be true, will credit him with giving himself light."

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER... The new protection issue is that of protection against the elements, and such as under different circumstances than attended the arrival of the giant submarine at New London only a few years ago.

THE MISSOURI MULE... The Missouri mule has a lot of good traits, and then again has some bad ones, in that its adaptive qualities are often nullified by its deficiencies.

GERMAN WARSHIPS... German warships are coming to America, but under different circumstances than attended the arrival of the giant submarine at New London only a few years ago.

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