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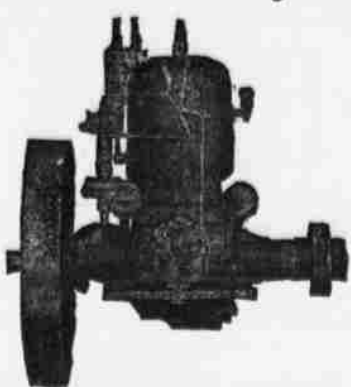
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## A Humorous View of Happiness

By J. ADAM BEDE, Congressman From Minnesota.

**H**APPINESS means the uplifting of civilization. Each year we meet new obstacles, and when they have been overcome we have obtained a new lead to happiness. Our comfort and happiness lie in the mastery of obstacles. And I might say that it is not the wealthy class that enjoys the most happiness. It is THE GREAT MIDDLE CLASS of this great country.

The women of the country today enjoy more happiness than did those of a century ago. This is the result of THE MASTERY OF OBSTACLES. The women have more time to join the Daughters of the American Revolution or to start a revolution of their own. The men also enjoy more privileges, and privileges constitute happiness.

It has not been so long ago when a law was passed prohibiting the sale of whisky in the capitol at Washington and on the Indian reservations. The lawmakers evidently assumed that drunken Indians and congressmen were dangerous. Perhaps they were right. But it only shows the march of progress, which emphasizes happiness.

**PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS SUCH AN ADVOCATE OF PROGRESSIVENESS THAT HE HAS EVEN CHANGED THE NATIONAL BIRD FROM THE EAGLE TO THE STORK. EVIDENTLY HE ACTS UPON THE THEORY THAT THE EAGLE MERELY SCREAMS, WHILE THE STORK DELIVERS THE GOODS.**



## AFTER MANY LONG YEARS

Two Old Time Journalists Meet After a Separation of Over a Quarter of a Century.

The old saying that this world is not such a big one after all was exemplified on the streets of Marshfield yesterday. Two veteran journalists, former laborers on the editorial staff of the Kansas City Times, met, after a separation of thirty long years. One of them Joe Caven with a record of half-a-century in the harness, the other W. Scott Ford formerly of Portland, but now an old pioneer of Coos Bay of sixty days, who can lay claim to forty years service as a pencil pusher.

Both of these men have climbed the divide and are now going down the other side. Joe Caven for many years was a familiar figure upon the streets of Kansas City. Part owner of the Times, and advertising manager, he yet found time to write some caustic editorials. Genial, clever, accommodating, everybody was his friend. Now with his erstwhile auburn locks, draped in snowy whiteness he still retains the friendship of all those with whom he has become acquainted, and possesses much of the old time vigor, that formerly characterized him. Disposing of his interest in the Times property for a sum that any newspaper man would deem a fortune, he embarked in other business, and speedily lost every dollar of it. However Joe still pegs along at the age of 73 calm and serene, as the press agent of a theatrical troupe, not forgetting to contribute many good stories to the newspapers and magazines. Can't forget the old habits of a lifetime. A gallant soldier of the Confederate Army and a filibuster with Joe Shelby to aid Maximilian in Mexico. He is ever the same genial gentleman that always commanded the respect and admiration of all those who know him.

A retrospection between these two old veterans of Journalism showed that out of all the editorial and business staff of the Times, thirty years ago, only three are living. Ford, Caven, and Charly Hasbrook, former business manager, have survived all their comrades. Morris on Mumford, the editor, the man who brought the paper up to a high standard has joined the majority. "Gene" Field, that erratic, but brilliant genius is no more. Carl Sam Williams, a gallant soldier and able writer, has laid down the sword and pen forever. Walt C. Bacon, the city editor, has passed over the divide. M. M. Morrisson, for years the book-keeper is dead. A. H. Greeley, the circulator is dead to the world in a mad house in New York. "Tom" McNabb, the bluff but big hearted foreman, has long been laid to rest. Will Baker, a brilliant boy of the staff fell over dead with heart disease, and so the list might go on down the line of brilliant men gathered to their last home. The sad retrospection brought sorrow to the hearts of these two old veterans when they had talked for hours over the ever present past, and realized that out of that large editorial staff thirty years ago, only three survive.

WILL buy your good potatoes. See F. S. Dow.

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.**  
 Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the undersigned for the grading and building of bridges on what is known as "Flag Staff Road," beginning at Station Three (3) and ending with Station Fifty-six (56) on said road; being about one mile of road to build. The grades, bridges, culverts and other work to be made in accordance with the profile, plans and specifications now in my possession. Bids will be made separate, one for grades, fills and culverts, and the other for bridges. Bids will be received for any part of the grading covering more than one fourth of a mile, or for the whole. Bidders are required to deposit or give an undertaking in the amount of five (5) per cent to be forfeited in case the bid shall be awarded and bidder shall fail to enter into contract within five days after award of contract. Bids to be let subject to approval of County Judge; the right is reserved to reject any or all bids, also to accept a bid. Bids to be opened at the office of Hall and Hall, on the twenty-ninth (29th) day of May, Nineteen Hundred and Eight, at two (2) o'clock P. M. Work to be completed before September 1, 1908.  
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 (By Associated Press.)  
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