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Editorial Section.

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The Mississippi and the Panama Canal.

The accompanying map suggests the interest which this city has in the improvement of the upper Mississippi river in its relation to the canal across the isthmus. The Panama canal is destined not only to connect the Pacific and the Atlantic coasts of our own country more closely by water transportation, but with the great system of internal waterways already in course of construction it serves an important purpose with respect to the interior as well.

Rooseveltism in Minneapolis.

"The people had installed at Washington a moral power," said Dr. Northrop, when he was speaking of that general uplift of popular sentiment which made the Sunday closing policy of Mayor Jones timely and possible. Theodore Roosevelt had lifted up the sentiment of the country to such an extent that what might not have been practicable, because not supported by popular favor, at any earlier period was met by the people of this city by a degree of approval and a measure of support by our great business and social and labor organizations, that was truly magnificent.

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The fact that Mr. Bryan's plan of national and state ownership of railroads is difficult of realization does not alter the fact that there is a considerable sentiment for it. This sentiment is not actively affirmative, but takes the general line that it may be necessary to take over the railroads whether the people wish the burden or not.

Smiths.

Smiths are a hardy race to whom suicide is abhorrent. They grow, multiply and wax exceeding great. The original Smith took his name from his calling, but one calling or a hundred has long since ceased to satisfy the insatiable appetite of the Smiths for employment. They have burst into trade, into the learned professions, into manufacturing, even into politics.

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