

Monkey Business in a State Board

Democratic make-believe in this state is fatiguing. It is always cropping out somewhere and in a form implying an amazingly low estimate of public intelligence.

These same men, and the all-powerful lobby they serve, could easily have put through the franchise taxation bill had they been disposed.

Somewhat Skeered Up

The state board of equalization, has at last decided to assess franchises of street and steam railroads under the present laws.

Some question has arisen since the board announced its decision as to just how the value of these franchises will be arrived at.

It is thought, too, that in reaching a conclusion as to the value of franchises the valuation will be taken as reflected in the stocks and bonds of the road.

Governors to Meet

Governor Sayers, of Texas, has issued a call for a convention of the governors and Attorneys General of the several states and territories to meet in St. Louis on September 20 to consider anti-trust legislation.

While the announced object of the convention is to discuss and formulate some concerted plan of campaign against the trusts, the gathering will definitely determine whether the anti-trust question should be made a national political issue by the Democratic party.

The invitation of Gov. Sayers is extended alike to Republican and Democratic governors and Attorneys General.

MISSOURI ODD-FELLOWS

Statistics of the Order in the State

Editor Bryant of the Burlington Junction Post, a zealous and well informed Odd Fellow, who attended the recent grand lodge meeting at Kansas City, published an extended article on the Order in his paper last week.

"Grand Secretary E. M. Sloan in his report gave the statistics of the condition of the Order in the state and the work done during the last year. The following tables are made up from this report:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes Number of Lodges in state, Number of members, Relief paid to widows, etc.

Revising the Statutes

Representative O'Fallon, who is a member of the committee selected by the legislature to arrange, annotate and print the new revised statutes of the state, says it will require five months to complete the work.

The New Railroad

Last week the surveyors of the new line of the Kansas City, St. Joseph and Omaha railway completed their labors between Savannah and the northern terminus of the route and have been laying out the line south of St. Joseph.

The Mazer Investigation

That Mazer investigation now in progress in New York seems to be quite a free and easy sort of an affair. The committee, the attorneys and the witness cheerfully stand up and tell what they think of each other, and come and go as the spirit moves them.

Summer School

The final bulletin regarding the summer school of the Missouri state university has been issued. The school began June 5 and concludes August 29.

Richville

—Quite a number of Forbes people were visiting in Richville Sunday. —Mrs. Cummings spent last Sunday in Forbes, visiting friends.

Wilson

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The McCormick New 4 Mower has 4 1-2 and 5 foot cut.

The McCormick One Horse Mower has 3 1-2 and 4 foot cut.



We have a car load of McCormick Binders and Mowers on the way. They were more McCormick Binders and Mowers sold last year than the company could make.

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The Attorney-General on Trusts

The Hon. E. C. Crow, Attorney-General of Missouri, the center of most bad feeling is a faithful Democrat and has two shares of the political cake.

Attorney-General Crow, in his report, has expressed his opinion on the trusts. He says that the trusts are a menace to the public interest and that they should be broken up.

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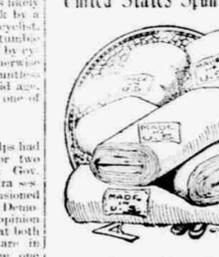
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A Healthy Increase

Three hundred more people are employed by the Burlington in St. Joseph than were employed two years ago. The amount paid out in the wages of workmen and the salaries of officials and clerks is greater by nearly \$200,000 than it was two years ago.

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It is a curious fact that the American small boy has evolved so little that he still finds more happiness in one circus ticket than in several prizes for regular attendance at Sunday school.