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They are not fighting in Mexico this week. They are resting up to get a fresh start.

Only five more states needed to ratify the income tax amendment. Already thirty states have acted favorably.

It is a great triumph to persuade President Diaz to let the insurgents print their speeches in the Record.

As a five days' armistice has been declared in Mexico, our people on the line will at least get a chance to plant the vegetable garden.

There will be little complaint in San Francisco if Jack Johnson goes too fast in his aeroplane, provided only he keeps headed away from that city.

The naval academy people have apologized for excluding a working girl from a dance, but they still seem to think that a girl must be lazy to be nice.

Are those people who are interested in ball playing and desire a good ball club here this agason going to let the matter go by default? Wake up, gentlemen, and do something.

They have already started a Harmon boom for president in Washington. Well, Governor Harmon has proved himself a very able man, and deserving of such recognition.

The lumber interests needed Lorimer when they elected him to the senate, and they need him yet. The lumber trust doesn't like the idea of Canadian reciprocity a little bit.

We are glad the farm papers get the low postage rate. The boy who spends his evenings reading about the price of turnips will pay more than a poll tax some day.

A school text book makes trouble in Japan because it dims the mikado's glory. In our country we would consult the opinion of the small boy before the president's.

The suffragists will make a complete canvass of Kansas. If they would remain at home and bake some eatable bread they might get a chance to cook the political broth.

If the peace in Mexico should disappoint the ammunition-makers, they can still take heart from the refusal of the Los Angeles girls to dance with the Japs.

Dr. Hyde, accused of poisoning or murdering Col. Swope in Kansas City, has not only been granted a new trial, but is now out on bail. It is reported that when Mrs. Swope (Mrs. Hyde's mother), who was enjoying balmy California breezes on the coast while Dr. Hyde was behind the prison bars, completely collapsed when she heard of the decision of the supreme court. Don't that look funny?

And when bankers and packers would rather face jail than tell what they know about the bribery in the Lorimer case, it is very good evidence to the lay mind that they know something.

The Daughters of the American Revolution are against Brigham Young's picture on the Utah battleship's service, in spite of Brigham's heroic efforts to reduce the surplus of unmarried women.

Have you "cleaned up" your back yards and alleys yet? Better do it before the city authorities do it for you. It will cost you more if the city has to do the work.

According to the Army and Navy Journal, General W. T. Sherman did not say "War is hell." Perhaps it was his brother, John Sherman. John was the financier of the family.

The postmaster general says he thinks penny postage is in sight. Well, let it come. The poor people are able to stand it. But they would prefer that something be done to lower the prices on the necessities of life. That's where the shoe pinches.

Madero may agree to peace if he is made vice president of Mexico. The way to convince a man of the truth of your philosophy of government is to let him into the orchard when the plum tree is shaken.

Some people think that the mere fact that they are labor union members proves that those fellows dynamited the Los Angeles Times. Others think the mere fact that they are union men proves that they didn't.

The Journal has frequently remarked that one can travel Nebraska over, or any other state, for that matter, and they won't find a more peaceable and better regulated city of its size anywhere than Plattsmouth. Then why go to the extremes? It is not always best to overdo things. Always "leave well enough alone," is a fine rule to work by.

Here is something that requires explanation: The democratic majority in the house, having brought in and passed the Canadian reciprocity bill, is now accused of "playing politics" because it has introduced the "farmers' free list" bill which is mighty popular with the country, but which it is predicted the republican senate won't pass. Why should the house be accused of playing politics? Why isn't it the senate that is to blame?—Kansas City Star (rep.)

Secretary of the Treasury McVeagh voiced a great truth when he said in a recent address that the civil war pension roll of the United States had been changed from a worthy object to a political asset. The veterans of the war have received fair recognition for their services, but it must gall them to see the efforts of professional vote-getters to enlist their political sympathy with the offer of monetary dross. Honor is higher than cash with the old soldiers. They have long been exploited by venal politicians, in state and nation.

It was ever thus. If a member of congress is elected to represent the interests of the west he should do it, the same as the eastern congressmen work for the east. The east has always had the best of us because when they elect a member of congress that man understands his duty before he is even sworn in. While in the

west we have too many congressmen who can be "roped in" to do just what those eastern fellows want them to do. The west should be more particular in knowing who they are electing to represent them. The trouble with the west today is that our representatives have allowed the interests of our sections to go by default, while those eastern fellows work for their interests every minute in the day, and night, too. That's the matter with the west.

There has been a wonderful revolution in the state of New Jersey. That state has for years been known as "the mother of trusts," and its government has been in their control. The legislature was completely in their control and whether the senator was a Dryden or a Smith, a democrat or a republican, it was always the same. Several attempts have been made in recent years by the people to get the trusts off their backs, but they never succeeded until the last election, when the democrats carried the state and put a fighting governor at the head of affairs. In four months they elected a progressive democrat to the United States senate, passed a primary and election law that knocked the bosses out, a stringent corrupt practices act, a comprehensive public utilities bill, a measure permitting the commission form of government, reformed the cold storage law, made a reapportionment securing just representation and forced New Jersey up in line with Nebraska and Oregon. If that could be done in New Jersey what may not be done in other trust-ridden states?

Well, how about it? Are we going to let the season go by without a ball club?

Jack Johnson has bought an aeroplane, and now we will see if the police can stop those black rockets.

Coal operators in West Virginia still believe it is cheaper to bury miners alive than to install enlightened safety appliances.

The senate will get around to vote on reciprocity by the time it is too hot in Washington to attend the ball games in comfort.

The Illinois house increased their pay from \$2,000 to \$3,500. They have got to have some way of living between senatorial elections.

The airship Parseval landed in a swamp over in Germany Friday and the passengers must have been glad for a good, squasy place to jump into.

If Plattsmouth has any intention of having a celebration on the Fourth of July don't you think it is about time to begin to talk about it?

Reciprocity seems likely to pass, and business men along the border can deliver goods by train instead of through the woods on dark nights.

Lorimer has been made chairman of the senate committee on mines and mining, possibly in recognition of the able underground work by which his election was accomplished.

The bootleggers and temperance people are working hand in hand to defeat the legalizing of saloons in Lincoln. Wouldn't that cork a government mule?

The republican split in Washington is growing wider and wider. The progressives in the senate have been treated very badly and they are rebelling. A man was around the other day selling atomizers. These

same atomizers were made forty years ago and the people bit as readily then as now and after using them one or two days set them aside, with the rest of such things which "easy" people spend their money for.

A St. Louis judge decides a woman has a right to hang a cowbell on the door to tell when her husband gets in. It would be a good thing for some men to have it hung around their neck.

Doubtless the public ought to feel grateful that there is no danger that Senator Lorimer will ever be president. He is made ineligible by the fact that he was born in Manchester, England.

If it took 30 women 18 hours to count 1,100 ballots cast by the Daughters of the American Revolution, how much before July 4 will we get the result of presidential elections when women hold the offices?

Mexican investments looked golden a few years ago. But under present circumstances we'd rather have our money in the old country savings bank with its antique ledgers and obsolete furniture and single clerk.

Prof. Aiken of Lick observatory says the canals on Mars are nothing but earthquake fissures. It would be mighty disappointing to wake up some morning and find the sweet peas had dropped down to the center of the planet.

The best day's work that the governor ever did was when he fired Ludden from the state school board. If there every was a man in any position that every thought he was the "whole cheese," that man was Ludden.

A Nebraska farmer, says the Kansas City Star, who has sold \$28,000 worth of hogs in Kansas City this year, asserts that cleanliness and pure food are more healthful to the hog than mud and filth. This may be true as to swine, but surely it doesn't apply to hogs!

We believe Champ Clark is going to prove by his every act the "right man in the right place." Missourians are all proud of Champ, and we don't want to see him do anything to, in the least, change this sentiment.

The duty of a newspaper is to do everything in its power to promote the interests to the town in which it is published, and make suggestions as to what would benefit the community; then if none of them are adopted the fault will rest with somebody else.

Now, don't all speak at once. But what has become of that man, Poulson, who was sent out here by the National Anti-Saloon league to show the people of Nebraska how to run their affairs? We haven't heard of him since he was fired from the lobby in the legislature.

A reporter in Georgia has been convicted of contempt of court for refusing to disclose the source of information given to him in confidence, and the highest court of the state has upheld the decision. The Macon Telegraph remarks that priests, lawyers and doctors are protected by law in preserving the confidence of their clients, and it is hard to see why the same protection should not be extended to the newspapers.

It has been decided by the highest courts that a person's photograph may not be used in an advertisement without that person's consent, the New York American says. This kills the senate's plan to run a little ad of itself, containing a photograph of

Lorimer, with the legend, "Ninety-nine per cent cure."

The republicans in the senate are becoming very badly "jumbled up." The east wants everything their way in the committee organizations, but La Follette and Cummins don't propose to have it that way. The people of the west should be awful well pleased and proud to know that they have two men in the United States senate who have the courage to stand up and defend their rights. We should have more just like them, but we haven't.

THE CORN BELT LANDS.
The following editorial from the Grand Island Independent is worth reading in Omaha and elsewhere in Nebraska, the same as in Grand Island:

"Nebraska is not without her fault. It isn't disloyalty to her to recognize that fact, first being sure of it. The fault is this: In many cases she is not true to herself. Nebraska—personification, obviously, is employed—producers and, in too many instances, employees her own usufruct for the development of Canadian lands, Wyoming coal mines, Mexican coffee plantations, southern investments, etc., etc. Is it fair to the broad, gentle expanse of fertile prairie which, grateful for the small attention given so far, has yielded so abundantly? And though the nearer prospect may not be so pleasing, would not the investment of the profits she provides in the further development of her own industries be just as successful from the financial point of view? Not only, therefore, should loyalty to the great benefactress, impel a second thought before you, her beneficiary, employ the wealth she has provided, for the betterment of other states, but your own eventual welfare and indirect interest should do so. It's not an idle sentiment, nor yet flippant chatter to say, "stand up for Nebraska" so long as she so staunchly stands up for you."

The Independent sets a very good example of a Nebraska newspaper standing up for Nebraska rather than for Oregon or Idaho or Utah or Texas or some other state. Money earned in Nebraska and lured outside for investment, whether in land or otherwise, is building up some other state at Nebraska's expense.

There is no better place for Nebraskans to invest their money than right here at home. Every dollar that grows in that way helps every other Nebraska dollar to grow. Nowhere on earth is there land with a surer future than our own. The day is not so far distant when, in the language of the Des Moines Register and Leader, every acre of corn belt land will be worth its \$500. Corn and wheat and oats and beef and pork are, and will continue to be, the world's staple foods. And they are the staples of the Nebraska farms. That is why, as a sure and permanent investment, Nebraska land is immeasurably ahead of land that raises nuts or peaches or beans or oranges or potatoes or apples as its principal crop.—World-Herald.

Mr. E. A. Harvey returned from Lincoln this afternoon, where he has visited friends for a few days.

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DECISION IN CEMENT CASE

General Advance in Rates Will Not Be Permitted.

WIDE TERRITORY IS AFFECTED

Interstate Commerce Commission Decides Contention of Railroads That They Need More Revenue is Without Merit—Some Increases Approved.

Washington, April 28.—Refusal of the interstate commerce commission to permit the principal railways of the west to advance their rates on the transportation of cement, for the reason that the carriers are alleged to need additional revenue, is the feature of a decision handed down in the important Portland cement case.

General advances of from 1/2 to 5 cents a hundred pounds in rates on cement were proposed by the carriers in trans-Missouri territory, to become effective Sept. 1, 1910, and affected a territory which produces approximately two thirds of the Portland cement in the United States.

Cement is a commodity of comparatively low grade in transportation, but in commercial bulk is exceeded only by coal, iron ore and grain. The advances proposed were attacked by producers and shippers and, pending an investigation, the commission suspended them first until Nov. 1, 1910, and subsequently until July 1, 1911. The points of destination to which the proposed rates apply cover a wide range of territory, extending from Illinois and Tennessee on the east to the Rocky mountains territory on the west and involves rates throughout the country.

TAFT SPEAKS FOR TREATY

Reciprocity With Canada Must Be Adopted Now or Never.

New York, April 28.—Reciprocity with Canada must be adopted now or never, and must stand or fall by its own terms.

Amid tremendous applause and the waving of handkerchiefs, so said President Taft in an address in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel at the fourth annual joint banquet of the Associated Press and the American Newspaper Publishers' association.

His address was the first of a series in which he plans to evoke public sentiment in support of his policies, and he appealed to the company of editors and newspaper owners gathered from the length and the breadth of the land, to impress in the public mind that reciprocity should stand alone and "ought not to be affected in any regard by other amendments to the tariff law."

All talk of annexation he characterized as "bosh" and said that the United States has all it can attend to with the territory it is now governing. He praised the house of representatives for its passage of the agreement; declared that it would not injure the farmer nor any special class; answered in detail the objections that have been raised to reciprocity, and begged for at least "a kind of test" to dispel the ghosts "exhibited to frighten the agricultural classes."

Boy With 30 Soldiers Fights 400 Rebels

Mexico City, April 28.—Refusing to surrender or leave the train on which he and his command of thirty soldiers were being brought to the capital, a second lieutenant, little more than a boy, engaged in a battle with a force of 400 rebels at Cajones, Guerrero. At the conclusion of the brief encounter the lieutenant and twenty-eight of the soldiers were dead and the remaining two of his men were prisoners. One of the arms of the lieutenant was shot away.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Closing Quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, April 27.—Closing prices: Wheat—May, 90 1/2c; July, 86 1/2c@87c. Corn—May, 51 1/2c@51 3/4c; July, 52 1/2c; Sept., 52c. Oats—May, 31 1/2c; July, 31 1/2c. Pork—May, \$15.50; July, \$14.97 1/2. Lard—May, \$8.05; July, \$8.15. Ribs—May, \$8.17 1/2; July, \$8.12 1/2. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, 90 1/2c@93 1/2c; No. 2 corn, 53 1/2c; No. 2 oats, 31 1/2c@31 3/4c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, April 27.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,900; steady; beefs, \$5.00@6.45; western steers, \$4.80@5.75; stockers and feeders, \$4.00@5.60; cows and heifers, \$2.40@5.65; calves, \$4.25@6.00. Hogs—Receipts, 23,000; strong; light, \$5.95@6.25; mixed, \$5.90@6.20; heavy, \$5.75@6.15; rough, \$5.75@5.90; pigs, \$5.85@6.20; bulk, \$6.05@6.15. Sheep—Receipts, 14,000; weak; natives, \$3.00@4.60; westerns, \$3.25@4.60; yearlings, \$4.25@5.15; lambs, \$4.25@6.15.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, April 27.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; steady; beef steers, \$5.25@5.75; cows and heifers, \$4.60@5.50; stockers and feeders, \$5.00@5.40; bulls, \$4.00@4.90; calves, \$5.00@6.50. Hogs—Receipts, 13,300; active; bulk of sales, \$5.80@5.85; heavy, \$5.67 1/2@5.75; light, \$5.90@6.00. Sheep—Receipts, 8,500; 10c lower; wethers, \$3.50@4.50; ewes, \$2.10@4.25; lambs, \$4.15@5.90.