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Dr. Cook is a politician to say that "honesty is the best policy, I've tried 'em both."

"Come back Willie," is the new democratic song, but Willie is either still in Texas or in Texas still or both.

The big stock show at Chicago is over and good old Nebraska brought home a number of prizes, distributed over the state.

A New York woman says it costs her \$4,000 a year to keep her pet dog. There are plenty of us fellows in Broken Bow willing to be called Fido.

Two eastern railroads are charged with rebating. This will possibly be adjusted by a slight increase in rates or reduction in the section men's pay.

A case of Leprosy was found in a Kansas City hospital, the victim, Tom Passalamatos, a Greek. Another case of "what shall we do?" (With objectionable foreigners.)

Broken Bow was a busy berg last week, two picture shows, a revival meeting in progress, a wrestling match at the opera house and every editor in town sober. Guess that's a record.

We recently heard Jesse Gandy assure some of his friends that nothing but a square deal would go, in Lincoln this winter. We were just wondering if that wouldn't put the "Kibosh" on the Omaha "personal liberty" legislation.

At Beaver City, Neb., it is claimed a falling meteor struck an elevator set fire and burned the structure with about 1500 bushels of grain. We always thought fire came from the other direction. No use to dodge it, its every where.

Geo. Clover, son of the late Mrs. Eddy has been advised to sue for his portion of the fortune willed to the Christian Science church. The estate of the deceased is valued at \$245,000—some chunk to lay on the contribution plate. But its all honest money or supposed to be.

On Dec. 7th an Italian was arrested in New York, who had twenty-five hundred counterfeit five dollar bills in his possession. The United States seems to be an easy dumping ground for bogus long green as well as the hobo element. We should have laws requiring certificates of character of all foreigners who land here.

Farmers, talk to your neighbors about the court house we need so bad. We ask you to think it out on its merits not on any personal gain argument. Be fair with yourself and let the fellow who has the dull ax grind it himself. Remember the date set for the special election and in the meantime if you do not understand the matter investigate.

If the star boarders at the Hastings jail could only check the wiggle-waggle of the public tongue it wouldn't be so bad, but its no use now everybody knows it even the department of justice at Washington is standing up for a look. What a snap it would be for some Custer county editors in fact nearly all of them to get a sentence like that. We're safe in saying its "better kept" they'd be then than now.

If some person who feels a little industrious would buy a few good cows and try to supply the demand for milk in Broken Bow, he would meet with somewhat of a surprise. Not long ago an out-of-town visitor asked if Broken Bow had more than one dairy. The only answer we could make was, if we had the one we need and one more we would have two, but as it is now we have none. There are a number of people in Broken Bow who have had experience in handling milk and butter, and who could make a nice profit with a few hours work each day, by starting a dairy. We would be very glad if some live fellow would call at the Republican office and allow us to make the announcement that a "regular, live, dairy" would start into the business mix in our city. Get busy, think, talk,

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THE SIMPLE CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST

Every 10c cash purchase or multiple thereof will entitle purchaser to one vote for their favorite lodge, in other words 10c entitles to one vote, 20c to two votes 50c five votes and so on. Ballot boxes will be placed in a convenient place in both stores at Merna and Broken Bow. Two people will be chosen at both places to carry the keys and after second week of contest boxes will be opened votes counted and from then on the standing will be announced weekly through the local papers. When you trade be sure to obtain the voting tickets also be sure they are counter signed by a member of the firm as the judges will be instructed not to count any but signed tickets. Remember the prizes are FREE and will cost us more money than any similar contest considering the length of time the contest runs and we feel that it is worthy of supreme effort. It will only need a little personal work among your neighbors and lodge friends to get them to trade here and east their votes as you may advise unless they are otherwise interested. Also remember that this applies to both our stores at Merna and Broken Bow, any lodge within trading distance of these two places are welcome to enter either for their own benefit or to assist the local memberships at the above mentioned places. None of our merchandise will be barred from the contest applying alike to Dry Goods, Groceries, Dishware, Shoes, Furnishings, Notions, Toys, Christmas Goods, Pianos, Organs and Sewing Machines. Where time is required on last three mentioned articles votes will be allowed provided a satisfactory note is given.

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