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## JOTTINGS FOR THE JOLLY

Short Paragraphs Prepared and Purloined For the Readers of the Journal.

I had a friend, I had, as well,  
A little cash to lend,  
And now I've lost, Oh! sad to tell!  
My money and my friend.

It takes more than money to make the nightmare go.

The night survivors believe in the survival of the fittest.

Too many men's charity is limited to the giving of advice.

A savage dog has caused many a man to lead a chased life.

Most men love their neighbor's money as they love their own.

Enthusiasm sets the pace, but common sense wins in a walk.

Love seldom travels in the same vehicle with common sense.

Night has its uses and abuses—like the morning after.

When you want to bet, put up something stronger than a bluff.

Live up to your good intentions and put the devil out of business.

The election is over and we are glad of it. It was a hot number.

A man is never too old to learn, but he may be too young to realize it.

It is easy for a man to behave after he breaks into the has-been class.

Too many men who run into debt don't even attempt to crawl out.

Many an otherwise clean record is soiled by contact with filthy lucre.

Almost any woman will believe a story that has a scandal attached to it.

Some folks seem to have been born or the purpose of circulating rumors.

Persuasion works wonders, but it can't convert bad eggs into chickens.

Some people seem to take fiendish delight in always being on the wrong side.

A brave man never lifts up a foe for the purpose of knocking him down again.

A sensible girl draws the line at the poetic youth who deals in unkind kisses.

Nothing is so disgusting to a politician as the talk of his opponent's money.

This world could easily get along without the man who never makes a mistake.

Many a golden opportunity has been wrecked for want of a genius to throw the switch.

Trying to get into heaven on the strength of a tombstone testimonial is risky business.

A woman's idea of a model husband is one who takes house cleaning philosophically.

A man who is unable to hear money talk is always watching to see if it will not make signs.

A girl hasn't much faith in a fortune teller who doesn't predict that she will marry rich.

Even the wisest of men would rather have their friends hand them flattery than honest criticism.

As a general thing the other fellow has no use for your opinion unless it coincides with his own.

Just as fast as it grows easier for a man to do without friends, he finds that their numbers increase.

A girl thinks she isn't being treated as she should be if the man she is engaged to refuses to get jealous.

Possibly all men may be born free and equal, but it is impossible to keep some of them in that condition.

Some women are never so happy as when they get a chance to tell of the trouble they have with hired girls.

It is a sad commentary on our age that the more money a man has the more lies he tells to the tax assessor.

It isn't always safe to judge the value of an article by the figures marked on the ticket attached thereto.

Possibly there may be men who love their neighbors as themselves, but so far we have failed to form their acquaintance.

When a girl deliberately lets a young man see her with her hair in curl papers it is time for him to transfer his affections.

A man is usually judged by the company he keeps, but it isn't fair to judge a woman that way. Her company is frequently forced upon her.

There is a period in every woman's life when she feels the superiority of her sex, and that is when she sees a man trying to thread a needle.

Why didn't County Attorney Rawls authorize the sheriff to notify those who had slot machines to take them out all over the county? Ain't Mr. Rawls going beyond his power, or even his duty?

## Congressman Pollard.

Congressman Ernest M. Pollard arrived in the city Thursday from Washington, says the Lincoln News, and was the guest at luncheon of Vice-Chairman Strode. Mr. Pollard is uniting public business with private on this visit. He has been successful in inducing the agricultural department to order some interesting experiments in Nebraska during the coming summer and Mr. Pollard expects to arrange.

Mr. Pollard met quite a number of Lincoln business men at the Commercial club, and other citizens elsewhere. The many assurances of interest in his candidacy for a second term and the offers of support lead him to feel quite confident that the effort being incubated by certain politicians in the district to defeat him for renomination will fail.

The congressman did not care to discuss the situation in detail until he had talked with more of the people of his district. He has been in receipt of many letters in recent week proffering support, and he believes that if the people have a fair chance to express themselves, the opposition to him will be short lived. He has been a member of congress but a few months and has been busy all the time getting in touch with the various departments and in learning the ropes. He feels that he is in a position now to do good work for the people of the district, and being a practical agriculturist himself, he can do the farming interests great good.

A number of those who talked with him yesterday assured him of their belief that if the issue was clearly placed before the people of this county he would carry it because of the prevalence of the belief that he is entitled to a second term and because his platform commends itself to them.

## A WORD WITH ASSESSORS

Do Your Duty and Make Those Former "Tax Dodgers" Pay for All Their Wealth.

Monday last you began your duties of listening to people tell lies, and they will swear to them, too. The fellows that prate long and loud about "America for Americans" and oppose foreign immigration and the fellows that are most zealous in having the strong arm of the law always extended to their wards in the protection of their large properties, will be the fellows that will lie to you the hardest and stick to it the most cheerfully. They are the same fellows who so begrudge the paying of their few taxes to the county treasurer that a distress warrant must be dangled under their eyes before they dig.

Assessors and the treasurers tell us that the little fellows who have little to pay and little to pay with are not the tax dodgers. The people who want to avoid paying their fair share of the running expenses of the county and state are the men who are generally supposed to be the "representative citizens" of the community and are asked to sit on the platform with the guest of honor while the band plays and the procession of school children passes by.

Mr. Assessor, please get 'em this time. Make them tell a whopper if they must fib at all. They say the recording angel does not keep two liar's docket, one for white and another for big black lies. It all goes in one book. You can moralize them about "the more you have the more you ought to appreciate it," etc., Mr. Assessor, but it will do no good. They are veterans in the game and you cannot make them bat an eye. If they do not want to give you a list of all the property you are reasonably assured they have, just let them alone and standing on the statute add to their schedule the additional amount together with the penalty provided for.

Make those "rich fellows" who become suddenly "very poor" when he sees you approach him, "whack up" according to his worth the same as the man who has but a little home and household effects. Do your duty to all alike and a united people will raise up and call you blessed.

## Stomach and Liver Trouble.

Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures stomach and liver trouble as it aids digestion, and stimulates the liver and bowels without irritating these organs like pills and ordinary cathartics. It cures indigestion and sick headache and chronic constipation. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or grip and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. Sold by F. G. Fricke & Co.

## THE CHICKEN PIE SUPPER

A Rousing Success and the Ladies Enjoyed the Fun of Looking On.

## THE MEN GOOD COOKS AND DISHWASHERS

Demonstrate to Their Wives and Daughters What They Could Do in Case of Necessity.

The chicken pie supper given by the men at the Presbyterian church Thursday night was a rousing success. At the door the guests were cordially received by a reception committee attired in black suits. From the door they were escorted by one of the committee to the cashier's desk, where J. H. Becker presided with a dignified air. On meeting the requirements here, they were turned over to head waiter, Rev. Salsbury, who escorted them to a table, where they were most sumptuously served by waiters, attired in spotless white jackets.

Considerable merriment was produced by the fact that the majority of the republicans were seated at Dr. Elster's table, but, nevertheless, they were compelled to admit at the conclusion of the bountiful repast, that Doc was a most efficient and attentive waiter, and an exceedingly jolly good fellow. After enjoying the delicious supper to the fullest extent, the reporter peeped into the kitchen, where we observed Chef Marshall attired in a long white apron, heaping the delectable viands upon the plates, and his assistants pouring coffee, washing dishes, cutting cakes, and performing other duties, just as though they were old hands at the business.

Now, after the event is all over, it is hinted that the ladies concocted this scheme to see what their husbands could do in the way of cooking and dishwashing, in the event that they were ever called upon to do the stunt at home. It is safe to bet that "I don't know how," won't work in many homes hereafter.

## Parents' Rally Day.

The Christian Bible school are planning to make a campaign during the month of April to increase their numbers and usefulness. This campaign opens with a Parents' Rally day next Sunday. Every father and mother whose children attend this school are urged to come with their children next Sunday. Arrange your plans so that you may come with the children. Be there sharp at 10 o'clock, see what we are doing for the children, give us any suggestions that may come to you as the program is carried out.

Special effort will be made to make your visit interesting and entertaining. Special sermon to parents at 11 o'clock by the pastor.

## Acres of Good Land Yet.

The World-Herald says that advices at the land office of the Burlington are that entries made by cattlemen and their agents and held to be fraudulent are being canceled daily at Washington. These lands are in Thomas, Hooker, Cherry, Sheridan, Sioux, Blaine and Deuel counties, Nebraska, and aggregate about 800,000 acres.

Special agents are constantly traveling over the counties and when an entry that seems suspicious is found, an investigation is made. If evidence of fraud is found, the person who made the entry is served with notice to appear at the land office and make proof of good faith. If this is not done within thirty days the entry is canceled and the land is again subject to entry.

Much of the land in these counties is as fine as there is in the west. It was taken by the cattle barons or their agents years ago when they had the pick of the entire country.

## Democratic Editorial Association.

This office has received announcement of the fact that the Nebraska Democratic Editorial Association will meet at the Windsor Hotel in Lincoln on Tuesday, May 22. The afternoon will be taken up as a business meeting. In the evening a banquet will be given, at which twelve responses to toasts will be given, from five to ten minutes being assigned to each speaker. The committee on arrangements have the assurance that every democratic paper in the state will be represented, and that many of the leading democrats will also be present. The editor of the Journal is down on the program to respond to "Missouri in 1808." As that was long before our time in that grand old state, we are somewhat fearful we cannot do the subject justice, but will do our best.

## Funeral of Mrs. Sweetwood.

The last sad services were held over the remains of Mrs. Army Ann Sweetwood Friday morning at 9 o'clock at the Methodist church. A beautiful sermon was delivered, containing the following short obituary: Mrs. Army Ann Sweetwood was born in Shelby county, Indiana, on the 8th day of November 1865, and was married to J. C. Sweetwood in Osborn county, Kansas, on the 27th day of April 1886. From there the young couple moved to Oklahoma and thence to Plattsmouth last October. She was a very busy and a very earnest and true christian. She died on the morning of March 29th, 1906, leaving four sons and one daughter, who is married, and resides in Oklahoma, a mother and father, and husband to mourn her loss.

After the sermon Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Swearingen and Mollie Selvea led the choir in singing "Nearer My God Thou Art" The remains were conveyed to Glenwood Friday morning and were interred beside those of her sister.

## RAILROADING SOME

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Trip From Omaha to Hastings Then Took Twice as Long as It Now Requires.

Speaking of the running of trains twenty-five years ago, the Lincoln Journal says:

"John M. Butler, chief clerk of the railroad mail service, was in the service as a postal clerk when the Burlington system west of the river was much less important than it is now. He ran on the Denver line long before it reached Denver, running to the west end during the period when it was being built. He remembers that for a long time he ran west as far as Culbertson, with the mail car, and then all at once the mail route was opened through to Denver, and he carried the mail on to that destination.

"In those days and before that time the Burlington line from Omaha to Hastings was not nearly so much of a railroad as it has since grown to be. Mr. Butler remembers that the west-bound train left Omaha in the morning, about 8 o'clock, that it ran to Lincoln by way of Oread, and arrived here for dinner. After dinner the train went westward and reached Hastings in time for supper. East-bound it left Hastings in the morning, reached Lincoln for dinner and Omaha for early supper. Now, No. 1 runs from Pacific Junction to Hastings in three hours and fifty-two minutes, leaving Omaha out of the run altogether, and No. 6, eastbound, makes the run from Hastings to Omaha in three hours and fifty-seven minutes.

"The main line trains, in those days, before the Denver road was completed, consisted of three cars. Mr. Butler knew a man who worked on a main line passenger train on the Burlington for a time. He was discharged for some reason or other and took a job with the A. & N., running out of Lincoln on a passenger train. He told Mr. Butler after a few runs that he would throw up the A. & N. job, because after a taste of real railroading on the main line of the B. & M. work on the A. & N. was too slow and tedious. In those days the A. & N. road was owned and operated separately from the B. & M.

"At that time there was but one way to the Pacific coast from this part of the world; that was via the Union Pacific. The Billings line, with its thousand miles of track, and the Northern Pacific with its Pacific coast connections, had not been constructed.

"After reaching Denver the Burlington system began to grow with wonderful rapidity in Nebraska. In fact it was growing while the company was building the Denver line. A few years afterward—in 1897, the company sent a special train to Denver from Chicago at a rate of speed for the entire distance of more than fifty-eight miles an hour—a performance for a long distance, hill climbing run that has never been equalled. Today the enginemen of the road say that with the new steel and the new passenger engines, the run of the Mayhem special could be discounted."

## Wants Cut on Marriage Licenses.

The catalogue houses are getting in their harmful work in the most unexpected places and their competition is being felt in quarters heretofore supposed to be immune. An old bachelor over at Elmwood the other day notified County Judge Travis that unless he soon came down on the price of marriage license he would have to send to Sears, Roebuck & Co., where he could buy two for eighty-five cents any time. The judge has taken the matter under advisement.

## COAL TRUST PLAYS

### TRICK ON PUBLIC

Hires Press Bureau for Dissemination News Favorable to Anthracite Barons.

The favorite motto of the trusts is, "The public be damned," but at least one giant corporation has seen the handwriting, while others are opening their eyes. It remained for the coal trust to discover the weakness of the old slogan and to change it so that it now reads, "The public be conned." The coal trust has retained, at a high salary, as the chief "conner," Ivy L. Lee, one of the brightest of New York newspaper men.

Four years ago the trust struggled through a strike, disregarding public opinion. But before the strike was over the operators learned that the public amounted to something. It materially aided the miners in securing many demands and cost the trust millions.

On the seventeenth floor of the Commercial Cable building in New York City elegantly furnished rooms, with a corps of the most skilled news writers in the city, are presided over by Lee for the trust. It is acknowledged that the object is to present the coal trust's side of the controversy and to win public support, which was spurned four years ago. Lee, the trust's mouthpiece, is present at every conference and knows all the details of the inner workings of the operators. Direct interviews with the coal barons, regarding conferences or plans, are almost out of question, but almost daily letters are sent out containing news, interviews on the coal situation, stories designed to show that conditions in the coal fields are not as bad as painted by the miners, denials of charges made by the miners and pro-coal trust editorials.

Mr. Lee is sending information to practically every daily newspaper in the country. Accompanying each letter is a printed slip, which he designates as an "Authorized statement by the coal operators' committee of seven, consisting of Messrs George F. Baer, W. H. Trusdale, J. B. Kerr, David Wilcox, Morris Williams, E. B. Thomas and J. L. Calkins." "The anthracite coal operators, realizing the general public interest in conditions in the mining regions, have arranged to supply the press with all possible information. Statements from the operators will be given to the newspapers through Mr. Ivy L. Lee of 20 Broad street, New York. He will also answer inquiries on this subject and supply the press with all matter that it is possible to give out."

## Prowlers Around.

Between eleven and twelve o'clock last night some party or parties were discovered prowling around the home of M. Fanger on North Fourth street. Mrs. Fanger's two sisters were sitting at a table engaged in reading, when someone appeared at the window and peeped in and at the same time several reports were distinctly heard, resembling that of a firecracker. The young ladies ran to Mr. Fanger's room and awoke him and by the time he had arrived at the hall door, at which they had made considerable noise, he opened the same and went out on the veranda and sidewalk, but failed to discover any one. Henry Herold also reports prowlers around his house about the same hour.

It would be well for prowler's to keep clear of Mr. Fanger's home unless they desire to get a dose of lead, for they will most assuredly get one or two if seen around there again. One of the young ladies was so badly frightened that it was some time ere she recovered.

## Pollard Confident.

The Lincoln Journal says: "Congressman E. M. Pollard left for Omaha Thursday, where he will visit today, going to his home in Nehawka to spend Sunday. Mr. Pollard while in the city was engaged in looking after the political situation quite industriously. 'I have been told by twenty-five or thirty men prominent in business and political circles in Lincoln that I shall be able to have the support of Lancaster country.' Mr. Pollard further expressed confidence in being able to secure renomination."

## A Lucky Postmistress

is Mrs. Alexander, of Cary, Me., who has found Dr. King's New Life Pills to be the best remedy she ever tried for keeping the Stomach, Liver and Bowels in perfect order. You'll agree with her if you try these painless purifiers that infuse new life. Guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co., druggist. Price 25 cents.

## PUT INTO THE TRUNK ALIVE

Inquest on the Victim of Trunk Tragedy at Stockton, California.

A few days ago the Journal printed an account of the discovery at Stockton, Calif., of the discovery of the dead body of A. N. McVicar in a trunk, and also the fact that his uncle, Judge A. N. Sullivan, of this city had gone to that city to look after the remains of his nephew. A special from Stockton, under date of yesterday says that the coroner's inquest held today to inquire into the death of the murdered young man developed the fact that the deceased had been put into the trunk alive and that death was due partly to poisons administered and partly to asphyxiation. Dr. J. P. Hull, one of the autopsy surgeons, stated that the presence of a large quantity of blood in the trunk shows conclusively that the man must have been alive though probably in a stupor when he was placed in the trunk, as the breaking of a blood vessel after death would have caused little or no hemorrhage. There was no blood found in the room. The condition of the lungs and other organs gave evidence of asphyxiation and the report of the chemist showed the presence of chloral and morphine.

The special from there says that Coroner Southworth has received a telegram from Dr. Roy R. Rogers, of the Cooper medical college of San Francisco, to whom portions of the internal organs of A. N. McVicar, whose body was found in a trunk here last Saturday night, had been sent for analysis, stating that a quantity of chloral and marked quantities of morphine were found. There was no evidence of the presence of cyanide of potassium or hydro cyanic acid.

Mrs. Emma LeDoux, who is under arrest for the murder of McVicar, is known to have recently purchased morphine and cyanide of potassium.

At 5:25 p. m. yesterday the coroner's jury brought the following verdict: "We believe that the deceased came to his death from the combined effects of having been drugged with morphine and chloral and in a dazed condition having been forced into a closed trunk, where there was not sufficient oxygen to sustain what life that was present. We also believe that one Mrs. LeDoux was responsible for the death of Albert N. McVicar, and as far as we have been able to determine from the evidence submitted that she was unaided."

## "It Is Said."

"It is said." So it is, and you only have to watch the evolution of a story derogatory to the character of an individual to note how rapidly damaging details multiply under the convenient method the busybody has of fanning the fires of scandalous responsibility. "It is said that a certain financial institution is not in as good condition as it ought to be." Many a run on a bank has been precipitated by a statement of that kind to a depositor who passed it along with the usual additions that an idle rumor accumulates in travel. "It is said" is responsible for more malicious mischief than any other combination of words in the language. There is a good deal of evil in the world, and none have license to be boastful of their own virtues, nor are any justice in surmising that others are so much worse than themselves that they are justified in giving them the long black mark. The one really interested in making the world better will do some hard work trying to strengthen his own moral and spiritual superstructure, and one way of doing it is to be careful what he says derogatory to the characters of others. We who make most frequent use of "it is said" may be safely set down as fellows who "said it."—Lincoln Journal.

## County Assessors Assemble.

The assistants of the county assessor are holding a conference and receiving their instructions Friday preparatory to beginning work in earnest on next Monday morning. These present who will assess the various precincts are: Tipton—Fred Muenchau. Greenwood—A. J. Stotler. Salt Creek—H. F. Kropp. Stove Creek—William Minford. Elmwood—George Pickwell. South Bend—L. F. Johnson. Center—A. Jenkins. Weeping Water—R. B. Jameson. Louisville—August Panska. Avoca—R. O. Hutcheson. Mt. Pleasant—Wilson Gilmore. Eight Mile Grove—John Albert. Nehawka—H. F. Kropp. Liberty—George N. LaRue. Rock Bluffs—Lloyd Gaper. Plattsmouth—Ben F. Horning. Weeping Water City—L. W. Tee garden. Plattsmouth City—T. L. Murphy.