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If the republican national convention is to be held in Kansas City, we hope that the democratic convention will go to St. Louis. It is really the most convenient place to hold it, anyway.

WITH 4,050 bills introduced even before the president's message was read in the District of Columbia bedlam the country still refuses either to tear its hair or to show other symptoms in support of the scientific opinion that crazes of nearly all kinds are as catching as smallpox.

THE only way to estimate how far the president's messages "reach" is to count the lines and estimate how far they would extend from New York toward North Dakota if the lines were placed end to end. That statistical operation seems about all that is left now for the third-term movement.

ALTHOUGH he favors an "elastic currency," the president's most strenuous demand is for a constitution so elastic that when he lets go after stretching it to the limit those who hold a different interpretation at the opposite end will be sure to realize that they are "stung."

As a result of the panicky times we are afflicted with, was the failure of the Glazier bank in Detroit, Michigan, last Monday for over a million dollars. And the Lord only knows how many little country banks have gone under as a result of these prosperous times of "peace and plenty."

THE Lincoln Star endorses Roosevelt's message in toto—centralization and all. The centralization of power, as the president would have it, riddles and casts the American constitution to the four winds of the heavens. Are the American people ready to cut this sacred document in twain? We trust not.

JUDGE OLDHAM, of Kearney, and formerly of the supreme court, is spoken of as a candidate for congress to succeed Kincaid, by the Kearney Democrat. He has the Journal's support, and only wish we was out there to give a more direct support. If the Judge receives the fusion nomination, he "will show his opponent," as he is from Missouri.

As a means of restoring the "delicate fabric of confidence" the Philadelphia Record recommends "pay your bills promptly." As a matter of fact, the "fabric of confidence" based on the habit of paying 100 per cent cash on demand when 100 per cent is due might be riddled by all the men-of-war in the navy without jarring it. We have not lost it yet.

ON Monday last when the Rock Island railway company paid its taxes in Cass county, among the funds received by Treasurer Wheeler was a package containing over four thousand dollars. On the package was the date, where and when same was deposited. It came right out of John D. Rockefeller's vault in Wall street, New York, where it has been locked up ever since last May. No doubt this is a portion of his hoardings, drained from the people of the west in increased prices on oil.

IN 1896 William J. Bryan advocated an income tax and every two-by-four republican politician and editor denounced him as an anarchist bent on destroying effort to build up fortunes. In his late message to congress Mr. Roosevelt very strongly recommends an income tax. If Bryan was an anarchist in 1896 for advocating an income tax, what is Roosevelt in 1907 for advocating the same thing? The president's message is a vindication of many of the great Nebraskan's theories of government. It has given impetus to his popularity.

THE words "In God We Trust" have been dropped from the new gold coin now coming from the mints. The republicans put their trust in the Dingley tariff and gold standard and so the God side of the money had to go. But it is significant that about the time "In God We Trust" was stricken from the coin, a financial panic knocked the country silly. Trust in gold standard and robber tariff don't seem to hold things up quite as well as Trust in God. We do not believe in promiscuous special providence, but we do believe that God is "keeping watch above his own" and that the nation that forgets God will go down.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S heart is so set on centralization of power in the federal government that it is for this, in various phases, that he reserves most of his thunder. It sounds resolutely in his index and reverberates all the way through the codex. For this the president summons all his masterfulness of manner, and it is not

difficult to realize the fire of enthusiasm that inspires him when he pictures that greater nation he would bring into being above the wreck of state sovereignty. With business centralized, he insists that control must be centralized as well. And for fear there may be some who would suspect that the thought is new with him he extracts some two or three columns from his messages of last year and the year before to prove it is an old story. Again he tells us that it is impossible to either give to or get justice from the railroads unless the national government assumes control. Incidentally he admits that the courts must ultimately define the limits of state and federal jurisdiction, but it doesn't seem to disturb him very much that this must, after all, be a fact.

WITH \$32,000,000 Standard Oil earnings in twelve months and ending in these panicky times, is not to be sneezed at. These trust-protected holdings are great things to have—but hard on the people.

WE had hard times under the Cleveland administration, we did not find the chief executive planning with the men who made the times hard for a method in finance that would make it easier to bring on panics at the will of the money-changers.

THE Lincoln Daily Star, a stand-patter republican sheet of the first water, says: "We might as well admit, as honest republicans, that we are saying a lot of things about our financial system that we indignantly denied during the campaign of 1906." Isn't that a corker?

IT is not necessary to take too literally Mr. Andrew Carnegie's message to the rivers and harbors congress that instead of spending money on warships we should spend it on our waterways. We may need the strong navy. In time of peace it is well to prepare for war. But we certainly need the waterways.

WHEN such masters of transportation as President James J. Hill, of the Great Northern, and Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, unite in saying that the railroads are inadequate, and must remain so, to move the vast and increasing traffic of the country, it is high time for the congress of the United States to take notice of the fact. No party which overlooks the fact or neglects the remedy can long retain control of congress. That Chairman Knapp did not exaggerate the situation when he told the national rivers and harbors congress we are at a crisis in transportation and delays that the roads have encountered in moving the enormous accumulations of freight during the last few years.

And the traffic, amounting, as Chairman Knapp shows, to 4,000,000 tons a day, grows faster than the roads, do their best as they may, can provide for it.

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THE editor of the Beatrice Sun in some manner secured possession of one of the new \$10 gold pieces and he does not think very much of it. He says that on one side is a buff cochon chicken—we will not venture an opinion as to whether it is a rooster or a hen. This gives the piece a striking resemblance to a bronze medal awarded at a poultry show for the most feathers on the legs and the biggest feet. The bird on the coin is certainly entitled to the medal.

THE 50 Cent Dollar Back Again. After an enforced retirement from active participation in the business of the city for a period of nearly fifteen years, the great American silver dollar has come forth again into the highways and byways to a rest by the weight of its influence, in restoring public confidence to the financial situation.—Associated Press.

Truly the yellow chickens are coming back in flocks to roost in the republican hen house. The despised "50 cent" silver dollar had to be resurrected to help tide over the republican panic. Nothing looks better today to a single gold standard man than the bright silver dollar of our daddies. How Bryan must chuckle. Cleveland's panic didn't bring the country to the proportions of Roosevelt's panic. Anything goes now from bond issues to silver, "fat" money, pay checks and other evidences of debt. The high tariff is invited to take a back seat and remove the prosperity label.

Do You Like the Picture? The packers and the other big trusts have shown their hand in the late panic, and have been trying to prolong the flurry as long as possible. The packers have refused to buy anything the farmers had to sell, even poultry, which at this season of the year has its greatest run. The packers explained that they were not buying owing to the unsettled condition of the market, and this explanation can be better understood when we know that the packers' trust was in the devilment that has brought about an unsettled condition of the market. Refusing to buy the products of agriculture at the time when the farmers and stock-raisers need the money brings the injury direct to the people. This injury to the agriculturists and the stock-raiser and seller very naturally brings the small manufacturer and others of this class and rests upon the real people of the nation. The big factory.

The big manufacturers, who had already an intimation of the intention of the money power to create the panic had overstocked the retailers and had their money, then turned the keys in their factory doors and said that they would not risk manufacturing an article

owing to the unsettled condition of the market. The banks in the cities and many in the small towns refused to let depositors have the use of their money, and yet loaned out money on gilt-edge security at an exorbitant bonus on top of the legal rate of interest. Thus with the things that create our wealth closed against us, and our own money tied up in the hands of the money-power we could do nothing but howl.

Do you like the picture? Well, such is but a fragment of the causes of the panic of 1907, and which happened under a Republican administration.

THE republican national convention will be held in Chicago on the 16th day of June, and it now seems probable that the democratic convention will also be held at the same place or in St. Louis at an earlier date in the same month.

IN comparison with the money yield from Iowa's surplus production this year \$2,500,000 is no such great matter. But it shows that things are moving to the front in Iowa, as usual, when it begins third-rail interurban system for 1908 out of this year's pocket money.

WITH the last term of the Otoe county district court, Paul Jessen virtually steps down and out as judge. Harvey D. Travis will assume the duties of judge of the district court after the first of January, and litigants can look for fair and impartial justice at his hands.

EVERYONE who attended the Dahlman banquet in Omaha last Saturday night unite in saying that Jim Reed is a "humdinger" in speechifying. Well, he's from Missouri, and they all strike right straight from the shoulder down there.

THE democrats of Cass county will give a banquet on the night of the 22nd of February. Mr. Bryan may possibly arrange to be with us on that date. And also Ex-Mayor Reed, of Kansas City. At which time a young mens' democratic club will be launched upon the political sea.

THE Omaha politicians are after Capt. Palmer's scalp. A long petition, strongly endorsed, has been filed with the postmaster general and President Roosevelt for the appointment of Benjamin F. Thomas. While no charges are preferred against Capt. Palmer's administration, it is urged that a younger man could fill the office to better satisfaction.

THE state of Nevada is showing itself as much a rotten borough still as when it was manufactured to order to supply republican votes in the senate and electoral college. It is as republican and as rotten as ever, and the presence of the entire United States army inside its line would not make it less so.

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SO SOOTHING

Its Influence Has Been Felt by So Many Plattsmouth Readers.

The soothing influence of relief after suffering from itching piles, from eczema or any itches of the skin, makes one feel grateful to the remedy. Doan's Ointment has soothed hundreds. Here's what one Plattsmouth citizen says:

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THE STAB-ING AFFRAY

Foster Bound Over to District Court, Now Languishes in County Bastile.

As a sequence of the cutting affray which occurred at South Bend some days since, Homer Foster was today bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500 in default of which he was remanded back to jail there to await the convening of the next term. In the testimony it was shown that Foster and Smith had met at the Union station in Omaha and had gone to South Bend, staying for a few days, when the trouble occurred. In which Mr. Smith says Foster tried to hold him up, and had done so to some extent, receiving something over five dollars, which did not seem to satisfy Foster, and he demanded more, which Mr. Smith allowed him to attempt to abstract from his pockets. While Foster was attempting to do this, Smith struck and slashed him with a knife, cutting him over the face badly, the blood blinding him so that Mr. Smith was able to regain his money, and leaving Foster lying on the ground, departed, coming to this place and perfered the charge, which resulted in his apprehension.

SPEND DELIGHT-FUL EVENING

Merry Party of Young People Gather to Make the Hours Fly Joyfully.

Misses Nannie E. Rouse and Sophronia Pelton entertains in honor of Miss Eleanor Todd, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Todd, on Saturday evening, December 7, 1907. A most delightful evening was spent by the merry party of young folks. Various games were indulged in, mingled with songs and laughter, until a late hour, after which a dainty lunch was served, when the party adjourned to their respective homes, all agreeing that Misses Nannie and Sophronia were royal entertainers.

Among those present to enjoy the social event were Misses Minnie Stohman, Fannie Will, Pearl Barker, Blanche Barker, Muriel Mullis, Mollie Seivers, Sophronia Pelton, Nannie Rouse, Isabel Todd, Miss Ward, Bernice Richards, and Eleanor Todd. Messrs. Ray Mayfield, of Louisville; Ralph Mullis, Cecil, Clare and Glenn Thomas, Ray and Wesley Barker, Grover Will, Sidney Miner, Jesse Brady, George Foster, and John Stander.

FORMERLY LIVED IN LINCOLN

The Late John Robbins Well Known Over the State

In speaking of the death of John Robbins, the Lincoln Sunday Journal says: "John Robbins, a notice of whose death at Passaic, N. J., was printed in yesterday's paper, was well known in Lincoln, having worked here for several years as a newspaper man, and in other capacities. His acquaintanceship throughout the state was an extended one, having been acquired chiefly because of his enthusiasm over bicycling, which took him over Nebraska several times. The funeral of Mr. Robbins will probably be held in Plattsmouth.

GOOD FOR SENATOR BURKETT

An Appropriation for \$75,000 for Postoffice Building.

A special from Washington says: "Bill to appropriate \$75,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building at Plattsmouth." This appears among several bills introduced by Senator Burkett yesterday. Mr. Burkett is right on the dot in this matter and does not propose to wait until the last moment to take up such important matters in the interest of his constituents. Everything will be in readiness by the dawn of the early spring to begin work on Plattsmouth's government building. Burkett will not stand for any hanging up in this matter.

Goods Missing.

Wm. Hendricksen, the man who runs the saloon, formerly operated by A. Guise, complains that in the receiving of goods, consigned from Council Bluffs to this place, on numerous occasions they are short, in a case of liquor from two to four bottles are missing.

Had His Eye Operated Upon.

J. B. Seabolt was in Omaha yesterday afternoon and had an operation performed upon his eye, which has been giving him somewhat of trouble for some time, and which he is desirous of having cured.

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NOT FEELING SO WELL.

Wm. Wynn, who has sick for some time, at his home in this city, with heart trouble and who has been progressing nicely for some time, is reported as not feeling quite so well during the past few days. Drandpa Wynn has had a hard struggle with this trouble and we would be pleased to see him regain his health.

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	If Down Payment is \$25.00, we receipt you for... \$50.00
	Balance Cash or Easy Payments \$8.00 Monthly or More
Class "B"	If Down Payment is \$25.00, we receipt you for... \$50.00
\$300 Pianos or Under	If Down Payment is \$30.00, we receipt you for... \$60.00
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