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Yes, it's true that advertising costs money, but it's cheaper than going out of business.

President Taft may have hoped to "conciliate" the south by endorsing 'possum, but will that condone for his having snubbed the Georgia mint julep?

The crop report assures us that there is "more to eat for every person in America." But it fails to point out how we are going to raise the money to buy the additional nodules.

Robert E. Peary is in imminent danger of being denounced from the jungle as a nature fakir. Here he has gone and signed a contract for magazine articles at \$1.20 a word, while Bwana Tumbo only gets a measly dollar.

The Hayward-Burkett-Rosewater slate for next year: For the senate, E. J. Burkett; for congress, William Hayward; for governor, C. H. Aldrich, of David City; and for supreme judge, 1911, Lincoln Frost, of Lincoln. This slate may be broken into smithereens before the robins nest again, with George L. Sheldon for the senate, and George Tobey for congress. Then there is C. O. Whidon, whom "Slippery Elmer" very much fears. In a primary Burkett will fall in all his calculations.

The last issue of La Follette's weekly magazine shows "slippery" Elmer Burkett up in his true light. We simply copy the closing paragraph of a long article devoted to the true character of the man who should stand by the people instead of the trusts: "On 82 roll calls which presented squarely and clearly the issue between lower and higher duties, Burkett voted 52 times against the higher duties and in favor of the lower duties and the increases and decreases involved in these 52 roll calls are vastly more important than those involved in the 31 roll calls upon which he voted for the higher or against the lower duties.

In the renewal of the attack upon Secretary of the Interior Ballinger, friends of that gentleman profess to see clear evidences of a plot by Roosevelt adherents in and out of office to discredit the Taft administration and to pave the way for the nomination of Roosevelt for president in 1912. This theory may be far-fetched but there is little doubt that the Roosevelt worshippers are dissatisfied with Taft, notwithstanding the president's recent attempts to conciliate them by laudations of his predecessor and renewed expressions of his infatuation to 'clinch' the "Roosevelt policies." The Rooseveltians feel that at heart Taft has little sympathy with the ideas of their idol, and the Republican breach shows signs of wider disruption rather than healing.

The death of a hypnotic subject while being exhibited by a "professor" of hypnotism for the amusement of a theater audience should and will stimulate opposition to such experiments and exhibitions. Hypnotism is a force that can, when properly practiced, be put to useful purposes. But it is a process for the physician and scientist, not for travelling mountebanks and the silly amusement of curious crowds. It doubtless will be difficult to prove that the "professor" was responsible for his unfortunate subject's death. But the outcome of his experience ought to create a sentiment against public exhibitions of this nature. Hypnotism is as a two-edged sword. Its practice should be confined to cir-

cumstances which arise from some urgent medical or surgical need, and then only under the direction and supervision of a reputable physician.

We should like to see Theodore Roosevelt in the United States senate. It might enable the country to get the real measure of the man. Heretofore Mr. Roosevelt has had the advantage of airing his views on every subject under the sun from race suicide to nature faking without having some one talk back on equal terms. In the senate it would be different. The ex-president would find himself on an equal basis with men every whit as brilliant as himself. We imagine that a debate between Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. La Follette or Ben Tillman, or Mr. Bryan, if he is sent to the senate from Nebraska, as now seems probable, would be highly interesting and that the former president would find it an entirely different proposition than recruiting the membership of the Ananias club from the pedestal of the white house.

## THE TRIP A FAILURE.

If President Taft, who has returned to Washington after his 13,000-mile "swing around the circle," did not come back a sadder and wiser man than he started out, it must be because of a lack of perception on his part. It is patent to others, however, it may be to Mr. Taft, that his trip was a failure. The 300 speeches which he made have been without avail. The west, instead of conversion to the president's policy of non-resistance and conciliation, stands more opposed to Aldrichism and Cannonism than ever. The south, while treating the president with punctilious courtesy and warm hospitality, is still the "solid south," as firmly entrenched in opposition to Republican policies and Republican politicians as ever.

President Taft returns to the white house weaker than when he started on his long trip, and with less of the public's confidence. The Republicans of the west accepted him as the party's candidate last year and aided in his election solely because they had faith in the party platform promise of an honest downward revision of the tariff and the candidate's pledge that the platform's promise would be faithfully carried out. Instead of a fulfillment of his pledges they have witnessed the president's weak surrender to the malvolent forces in congress that were working in the interests of the entrenched trusts and his later unblushing defense of Aldrich in the very section where this treachery had created the bitterest resentment. They have seen Taft whitewashing Ballinger, whose assistance in the scheme to rob the nation of a valuable part of the public domain is notorious. They have heard the president's indorsement of Wall street's currency policy. They have witnessed with what docility he stands without hitching in the harness of the "interests." They have heard his excuses and his pleas for "party solidarity." All his honeyed words have fell on unheeding ears. Taft has not made good. The great partisan fence-fixing trip—made at the public expense—has been a colossal failure.

The present indications are that Theodore Roosevelt can be the next president of the U. S. if he wants to be. Taft has proved a disappointment to the people of the country who expected him to keep up the progress that Roosevelt started, for he has not only failed to continue the Roosevelt policies but has actually and effectively hindered those who did try to continue them. Nobody doubts his honest intentions; but it takes more than good intentions to make a good president. It re-

quires an understanding of practical methods of warfare against the wolf brigade which is always active, and Mr. Taft seems entirely to lack this understanding.—Columbus Tribune, Rep.

Ignorance is such bliss to the turkeys now that it would be folly to put them wise.

Probably Speaker Cannon's opinion of Senator Cummins could not be printed in unexpurgated form.

It is such a blessed thing to struggle that we exhort Mr. Rockefeller to go ahead with that crusade against the hookwork, regardless.

Yes, Mr. Rockefeller, "It is a blessed thing to struggle," even if you can't make the old stovepipe fit. It brings the higher moral qualities into play.

It appears to be the mission of this particular November to put the kibosh on the weather department's theory that there is no such thing as Indian summer.

The corn crop was injured very little in Nebraska according to statistics compiled by the state labor bureau. The yield this year aggregates 166,556,105 bushels, an average of 25.7 bushels per acre. Last year the crop of 178,599,000 averaged 28.17 bushels per acre.

If you are in business keep your name constantly before the people. That is what has brought success to many a man. Just as soon as your name drops out of sight another man's name appears and the people turn to him.

The poor man's greatest enemy, (unless it be Old Joe Cannon), Aldrich in his recent trip to the west, refused to talk about the tariff, believing in the theory that it is wise to say nothing in the section where the robber tariff is so unpopular.

It seems to us that we can detect a lessening in the reform and prohibition movements. All movements that are based on extremely radical lines will eventually lose strength. Moderation is a silken cord that binds people everlastingly to ideas.

The people of Plattsmouth appreciate a live, local daily, and that is the reason why the Journal's list of patrons is constantly increasing. We pay particular attention to events that transpire within the city and county, and that is what the general reader wants.

Billy Hayward acknowledges now that Nebraska is a very close state. He says he started out in the campaign on this theory. But before the election he claimed the election of the Republican supreme judges by from 15,000 to 25,000. Billy is very changeable in his calculations.

Milk men in Kansas City have been judicially restrained from combining to raise the price of milk. Why are men in other lines of business not restrained from combining to raise prices? Take as an example the clothing dealers, the grocery dealers, the shoe dealers.

Frank Harrison, in his State Capital, tells readers where to look for the straight of things this way: "The Fremont Tribune (Internal revenue officer) quotes with full approval the remarks of the Gothenburg Independent (postmaster) to the effect that one of the United States senators is about the hottest stuff and the saltiest part of the earth there ever was. The item will now be distributed carefully over the country by the Helvy bureau (census commissioner) and will be eagerly repeated by the Alliance Times (land office), the Humboldt Leader (Indian commissioner) and the Grand Island Independent (post-office promised). Thus will the public be fully edified and instructed and the duty of the rank and file of the 'party' be exemplified beyond measure. Let the unprejudiced and disinterested work proceed."

## WHERE IS POLLARD?

As the political wise men have it figured out there need be no friction between Chairman Will Hayward of Nebraska City and Judge Lincoln Frost over the congressional nomination. There will be a judge of the supreme court to elect from this neighborhood in two years more. That happens to be just the time for the expiration of Judge Frost's present term on the district bench—Lincoln Journal. It seems the Journal does not even consider our fellow-citizen, Mr. Pollard, as a possible candidate, after all the trouble he has gone to to let it be known that he is in the race. We will wait, perhaps, to see if Will Hayward accepts the appointment tendered him by Secretary Hitchcock, at Washington, before he enters the race, and then, it must be remembered that George Tobey is still considered a candidate.

## CREATING ENMITY.

Omaha is perfectly justified in presenting to the people of the United States a national corn show. Nebraska is taking a position in the agricultural states which warrants its business men in proclaiming and exhibiting the magnificent productions of its fields. Yet when the business men of Omaha permit its retailers to dictate the date of their corn show, they exhibit a woeful lack of judgment. For years the Ak-Sar-Ben has been the means of creating a feeling of cordial friendship on the part of the country merchants toward the wholesale and jobbing interests of the metropolis. Conditions had reached that point where the country merchant boosted for and boasted of Omaha. By dating the national corn show purposely to attract retail trade just before the holiday season Omaha has wiped out almost every vestige of friendly feeling on part of the business men of the interior. The wholesalers and jobbers of Omaha must expect to pay the penalty of their lack of wisdom in permitting the retailers to so injure the interests of their best trade, and in view of the splendid progress they have made in bringing about a most friendly feeling on the part of the country, their action is almost inconceivable.—Fremont Herald.

## SOUND WARNING.

Several Washington correspondents are warning the president that there is an organized conspiracy on foot to discredit his administration. One of these gentlemen sends to the Chicago Tribune information that this consists of several elements, the radicals who want to put Taft in a hole and thus bring Roosevelt back into office, and those who want to discredit the administration at the outset so that "it will fail to obtain the enactment of the reforms required to put the country in the advanced position it should occupy." The cabinet officers are depicted as having rushed to the president as soon as he reached Washington to tell him all about it. Some of the advice they are said to have tendered him is good. They told him that to meet the tariff revision sentiment in the west he should put a paragraph into his message dwelling upon his purpose to have a tariff board created to aid in the enforcement of the maximum and the minimum law, to make a thorough investigation of the tariff schedules and to report, for the use of the president, such inequalities as exist with a view to their submission for action to congress.

Another recommendation they are said to have made was to make a clear and positive statement of his policies, to urge him not to recognize stalwart or insurgent to the exclusion of the other, but to treat them all as Republicans working in the interest of the execution of the Roosevelt policies. This also is good advice. President Taft went into office pledged to the Roosevelt policies. In our opinion he was in error in assuming that either Aldrich or Cannon had any sympathy with those policies, and when he

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sought their aid to the exclusion of the insurgents, who have been heart and soul for those policies; he embarked upon a course that could not possibly bring him success. It is argued, in his defense, that he was compelled to deal with the party leaders in each house to secure success, but he could have cleared the way to victory more effectively if he had joined in to defeat the Cannon oligarchy in the house rather than lend his weight to secure the re-enactment of the old rules.

## FROM THE BUSY WORLD.

It is said November has been one of the dampest months in the history of the state with snow and rain everywhere. There can be no mistake as to it being some wet around Plattsmouth, but then Plattsmouth has always been a wet town—one of its many redeeming features.

It is said progress is being made in the sugar trust investigation in New York and that there is every probability that somebody may be indicted, and possibly convicted. All the same the general public will wait with considerable interest the outcome of the matter. The investigation may develop something which amounts to something, and again it may not.

According to the county attorney of Gage county, Frank Chamberlain intended to kill Miss Mae Austin when he shot her several days ago. The county attorney has filed a complaint charging Chamberlain with attempting to commit murder by shooting Miss Austin. They were lovers and Chamberlain got jealous according to the accepted version of the story, and bombarded the young woman. She will get well.

It really looks as if Samuel Gompers and the rest of the indicted labor leaders were about to have to go to jail. This is a fatal mistake on the part of the government, and something which the laboring men of the country are bound to resent. There is an opportunity for the president to make a spectacular play and issue a pardon for these men who never should have been convicted. The matter is interesting and a little curious to the public who would like to see what is going to take place now.

The rule of the law is something which the public should pay more attention to. Here we have the spectacle of six men being sent to jail by the supreme court for failure to enforce the laws and protect their prisoners. The sheriff of Chatanogga, Tenn., is in jail for not having saved a negro from lynching. Incidentally, there are five others in jail with him. The facts of the Tennessee lynching should be studied by the public and the courts should receive their serious consideration. Undoubtedly the sheriff was guilty of neglect of duty but there will always be a question as to whether the court is not a little drastic in its orders.

The curious cause of the United States against Governor Charles N. Haskell of Oklahoma, is to go on to trial. Governor Haskell is by common consent of the Republican organization, about as bad a character as ever graced the American public, yet the general run of people seem to like him and really, they want to see what is in this case which has been so vigorously presented. Haskell seems to have earned the enmity of the politicians who want to help themselves because he has been active in opposition to them, and for this reason he is being made a victim of their prosecutions. The opinion of the public

in advance is that he is not such a guilty wretch as he has been said to be.

The supreme court has knocked out every law which the last Democratic legislature passed with one solitary exception of the eight o'clock closing law. With all due respect to the supreme court, doesn't it strike the average citizen as strange that the legislature could be right only on one issue out of a dozen. It looks strange that the members were right on the eight o'clock closing law and wrong on everything else. The truth is, this state in common with many others, is rapidly becoming a court ruled state and the verdict of the legislature is becoming a farce. The last law to go by the board is the normal board law, which was intended to change the management of the state normal school. Yesterday the supreme court knocked this out. The one thing for the people to remember is that only the laws the supreme court wants are held good.

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**Funeral of David Jennings.**  
The funeral of the late David Jennings took place this afternoon from the undertaking rooms of M. Hild on South Sixth street. Owing to the fact that services had been held in Chicago, Ill., no services were held here. Canon H. B. Burgess pronounced a prayer over the remains after which they were buried in Oak Hill beside his father, John W. Jennings, former county clerk. There were a number of friends of the family present at the burial, the mother and sister of the young man having come from Chicago with the remains.

**Goes to Idaho.**  
Charles F. Guthman, who has disposed of his interests in the Perkins Hotel, departed this afternoon for Murphy, Idaho, where he will probably make his future home. Mr. Guthman was one of the enterprising young business men of the city and his departure will be hailed with genuine regret by the people of Plattsmouth, who have known him so long and who have found him to be an ideal man in business. That Murphy, Idaho, will find him one of its most enterprising citizens goes without saying.

Ed. Donat is spending today in Omaha with his wife, going there this morning on the early train.

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