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Fourth of July at Plattsmouth.
Democratic state convention at Grand Island Tuesday, July 26.

Another distinguished senator who is due to arise and offer a few words of explanation is the Hon. Guggenheim of Colorado.

Apparently the quest for "the man higher up" in the sugar trust proceedings is going to lead right up to the Pearly Gates.

Is there no way to apply the Monroe doctrine against those who are seeking to gain possession of Alaska to the disadvantage of the United States?

Mr. Pinchot started, a few days ago, to tell what passed between himself and Mr. Roosevelt. Then, apparently, he happened to think that the safer way is to let Roosevelt tell it.

The western trunk lines enjoined from increasing freight rates collectively, are preparing to increase the rates individually. Any time the government gets ahead of the railroads it must leave a call for 4 o'clock in the morning and start off on a lode; and Uncle Sam is not an early riser.

The Singer Manufacturing company, in addition to its usual 100 per cent dividends on stock, is soon to cut a 30 million dollar melon. The answer appears to be that sewing machines are sold to the public at a price considerably higher than necessary, thanks to the helpful and precious tariff on sewing machines.

One of the healthful signs of the times is the fact that merchants in rural communities are getting nearer to the cash basis of doing business. If the principle grows in future years as it has in the recent past, more men will get "square with the world" and business failures be few and far between.

Senator Dolliver, Republican, from Iowa says the new tariff schedules on cotton "operate to increase duties very materially on most cotton cloths used for women's and children's summer wear, and on all mercerized cottons, figured curtain and upholstery goods, etc. In fact, the Aldrich revision of this schedule was one of the most daringly iniquitous features of the new tariff. The production of agricultural implements is largely in the hand of a trust, and the trifling reduction of 5 per cent on these products were merely for the purpose of attempting to fool the farming community.

THE TORYISM OF ROOSEVELT.

The Tories and the tory press of England are gleefully applauding Mr. Roosevelt's Guildhall speech, in which he deplored British "sentimentality" in the despotic government of Egypt and declared that he spoke as a "real, not a mock, Democrat" in saying that violence and injustice would be better. And the liberals and the liberal press are deploring that speech, and bitterly resenting it. The present liberal government of England stands for the rights of man. It has shown a wise and commendable leniency and consideration for the conquered Boers. It is striving to bear in mind the solemn pledge made by Great Britain, twenty-eight years ago, that its rule of Egypt would be only a temporary occupation and that Egypt would be restored to self-government as soon as order was restored and representative institutions were established. It is honestly trying to make good that pledge—to administer Egyptian affairs with an eye to the rights and the best interests of

Comes then Roosevelt, ex-president of the United States, and declares this policy is an "error"; an error that must be corrected! Comes Roosevelt and indicts the British government for having tried to "do too much for the Egyptians themselves," for having given way to a weak "sentimentality," and laying down the pernicious doctrine that, in governing a people without their consent, sentiment is more harmful than violence and injustice!

Little wonder if the liberals, who are the progressive and true Democrats of Great Britain, are astounded and angered. Little wonder if the Tories, who stand for everything today that they stood for when George III was king and Lord North his prime minister, are in raptures.

Lord North would have approved that speech of Roosevelt's, had it been delivered 135 years ago in reply to Patrick Henry! King George III would have approved it had it been delivered in the British parliament, when the American revolution was bursting into flame, in reply to Burke and Pitt!

The Indianapolis News very truthfully and forcefully says:

"The speech is a thoroughly tory utterance. It would have delighted such men as Beaconsfield and Salisbury. The Russian czar, who now is engaged in the work of crushing Finnish liberty, will approve it. Every man who believes that it is the duty of weak people to submit to the rule of the strong will welcome the words of Mr. Roosevelt. But Gladstone, Bright and Cobden, and all the other friends of liberty as we in this country used to think of it, would have been rather shocked by the speech of yesterday. The man who, after South Africa had been conquered, wisely turned the government of the country over to the conquered people, will not approve the speech. But the tory squires who believe in a natural governing class, the champions of the house of lords as it now exists, the defenders of the system of internal taxes now existing in England, the tax-dodging dukes—all these must have been greatly pleased by the words of Mr. Roosevelt. His argument comes simply to this—the strong ought to govern the weak, whether the weak wish to be so governed or not."

THE PARDONING POWER.

In the years gone by there has been more or less complaint because the pardoning power has been abused. This complaint can not lie against Governor Shallenberger. He insists upon law enforcement in the first place, and after an offender has been sentenced he insists upon the sentence being carried out unless ample evidence is adduced to show that the sentence is too severe or the circumstances surrounding the violation of law mitigating to a great degree. Following this plan the governor has made a record that ought to entitle him to great credit along this particular line. The "sob squad" has little or no influence upon him. He insists upon having the facts submitted, plainly and bluntly, and passions on the part of petitioners is not allowed to have any bearing on the results. During the seventeen months of his incumbency Governor Shallenberger has exercised clemency in only ten cases. Two of these were "4th of July pardons," and are practically obligatory by statute.

This record is doubly interesting when compared with the records of Governor Shallenberger's two immediate predecessors. When compared with the record of Governor

Patterson of Tennessee it becomes actually astonishing. In three years Governor Patterson has exercised the pardoning power 956 times, his record of 38 in one day being unsurpassed. Thus the work of 152 judges, 228 lawyers and 1,824 jurors has been practically nullified by Tennessee's governor.

TAKES A FALL OUT OF BURKETT.

An interesting incident took place in Lincoln last week, the occasion being a meeting of teachers and county superintendents, addressed by Senator Burkett and Richard L. Metcalfe. The senator tried to make it appear that he did not know the occasion of the meeting, then went out to take a dig at the "insurgent" movement. He declared with emphasis that congress was responsive to the will of the people, and further declared that congress always moved just as rapidly as the people wanted it to move. In many respects his address was a repetition of his memorial address in Lincoln this year. When Mr. Metcalfe arose he took sharp issue with the senator on the proposition that congress is responsive to the will of the people. "Four times has the house of representatives declared in favor of direct election of senators, and four times the honorable body of which Mr. Burkett is a member has treated the people with contempt. By platform, on the stump, in the press and upon the streets the people of this great republic less than two years ago demonstrated beyond a peradventure that they wanted the tariff revised downward. The answer of this so-called responsive congress of ours was a revision upward. "If this is responding to the will of the people," concluded Mr. Metcalfe, "then I have for years labored under a mistaken idea of the meaning of that term."

While Senator Burkett's declaration was received in silence, Mr. Metcalfe's retort was greeted with loud applause from the assembled educators.

The Democratic state committee met in Lincoln Saturday night and selected Grand Island as the place of holding the convention, and Tuesday, July 26, is the date. According to the apportionment, Cass county is entitled to 16 delegates. This bids fair to be one of the largest conventions ever held in the state.

We would like to have had the state convention held at Omaha, but as this did not seem possible from the vote of the committee, our next choice was Grand Island. In fact, more state meetings should be held nearer the center of the state. Because of the state capital should not be cause for holding all the state meetings at Lincoln.

Cass county should be fully represented at the Grand Island convention, Tuesday, July 26.

Seventeen years locusts due to arrive this year? Well, we'll lay that, too, onto Mr. Halley's old acquaintance.

Texas spurns John D. Rockefeller's offer of assistance, believing that sufficient unto the day is the weevil thereof.

A Washington letter says that Secretary Ballinger has aged twenty years in the last few months. "And that ain't all—he's going to age some more."

Make up your mind to celebrate in Plattsmouth this Fourth. The Red Men have charge of the celebration and they never do things by the halves.

That St. Louis alderman is justified in his indignation because someone tried to bribe him with \$50. The official scale, as adopted by the Pittsburgh council, is \$81.10.

We are pleased to note that the most of our business men are subscribing liberally to the Fourth of July fund. The Red Men will do their part to have a glorious celebration.

The colonel is adding a reputation as a humorist to his other character-

istics. After his interview with Mr. Root he directed the newspaper men to say that "Mr. Roosevelt maintained his usual reticence."

Evidently those who are agitating a change of the inauguration date on account of wanting good weather show that they know what happens to the queen of the May annually in the fact that they ask the inauguration to be set for April 30.

President Taft has given Private Secretary Carpenter a new job as minister to Morocco. He probably wishes he could give Secretary of Interior Ballinger one as ambassador to Timbuctoo and date it back a year or so.

We hope that while all three of the gentlemen named were in London together, no one was unkind enough to bring up reminiscences of that speech which Mr. Root delivered about Mr. Hearst at the suggestion of Mr. Roosevelt.

Among the members of the Democratic state committee at Lincoln last Saturday, the general impression was that the platform would be free from county option and prohibition. That's the proper paper and will suit the big majority of the party.

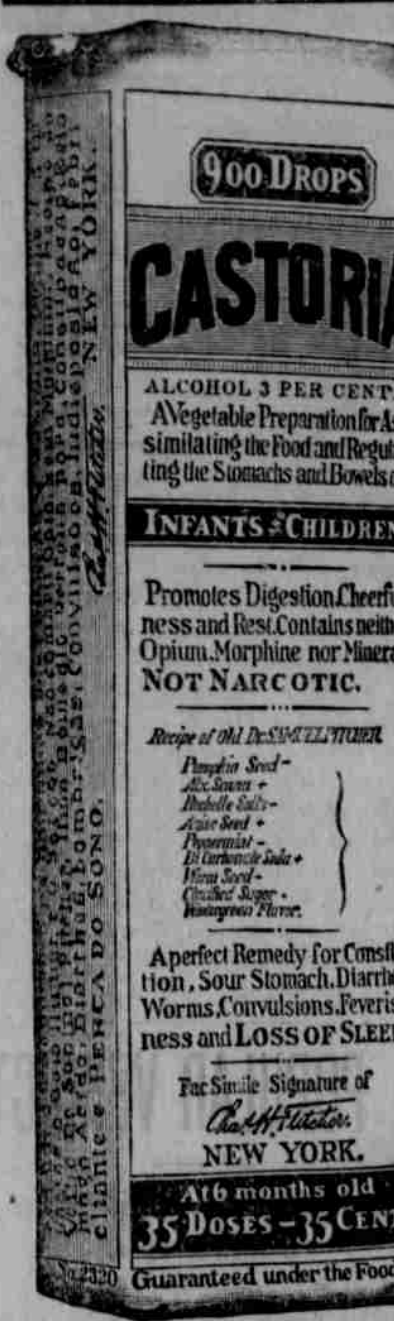
It is said the police in the "Holy City" of Lincoln have more trouble in keeping order now than they did when they ran thirty or forty saloons wide open in that town. More drunkenness and joints than ever before. Now they are talking of establishing saloons in West Lincoln. It is one thing to vote prohibition, and another thing to enforce the proposition.

The friends of Bernard McNeney of Red Cloud, are urging him to become a candidate for the office of attorney general. Mr. McNeney has thus far steadfastly refused to consider the proposition, but his friends have hope of overcoming his opposition. Nebraska pays her attorney general \$2,000 a year, and for that pitiful salary expects to get a lawyer able to overcome the opposition of a drove of corporation attorneys, any one of whom draws as much salary per quarter as the attorney general draws per year. It is only now and then that the state is lucky enough to secure such a man.

It's the poorest who pay the highest taxes under the Payne-Aldrich law. The woman who buys woolen or worsted cloth for a dress pays \$9.40 for a pattern that cost \$4 abroad, or a tariff tax of 135 per cent., while her more fortunate sister pays a tariff tax of only 50 per cent. on the imported silk dress she buys. The cheapest blankets the laborer can buy for his humble bed carry a tax of 107 per cent., but the fine blankets on the bed of the captain of industry are assessed only 71 per cent. Hats and bonnets costing \$5 or less per dozen are taxed 62 per cent., while those costing more than \$20 per dozen get in for 35 per cent. Fine system, isn't it?—for the rich.

Will Hayward, chairman of the Republican state central committee, has sent out letters to precinct committeemen in the First district in which he states and reiterates the fact that he is chairman and intimates that on this account it is up to the committeemen to support him for congress. When Hayward first announced his candidacy he said that he was ready to resign his position whenever the committee was ready for it so that he could not be charged with using his position to boost his own plans at the expense of opponents in the Republican party. The committee has never asked for the resignation, has not been called together and according to Hayward the date of a meeting is very indefinite. Copies of the letters addressed by Hayward in which he does use his position, fallen in the hands of some of the factions opposed to Hayward's candidacy and it is expected that something will be doing.

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From Monday's Daily.
If the automobile which the News advertises to give away is drawn it will have to be drawn a second time as it has been drawn already. Messrs. Patterson & Thomas of this city yesterday drew it. They drew it in from out near Charley Cook's where Editor, Manager and General Factotum Quinn came near dismantling it. Mr. Quinn had been ranging about the county in the machine in a wild chase for subscribers and advertisers and was on his way back to this city when the "750 Maxwell Runabout" was pried. Mr. Quinn does not know just what caused the commotion with the internal parts of the machine, neither did he know how to piece them together again after the excitement as he is not a mechanic but a journalist. He imagined that the spifficator was over sprung, then he looked at the wheelcanator and found it to be in perfect working order, then he examined the oilicator and profundidicator and a few other things and could make neither head nor tail of them. The crux of the situation found a brave man to meet it at that time, however, and he marched to the house of a man who had a telephone and called up Messrs. Patterson & Thomas. He asked them to send out an automobile and get the thing using the usual adjectives to describe it. They did so and drew it and Mr. Quinn to the city. Hence it has been drawn. It was discovered after the machine was at the garage that it was so seriously damaged that parts will have to be obtained from the factory to get it in running order again. It will be temporary repaired so that Mr. Quinn can once more speed the wind.

Commissioners in Session.

From Monday's Daily.
The county commissioners were in session today, transacting the usual grist of business and allowing bills against the various funds of the county. There are several matters of importance coming up today for settlement including an order to construct a twenty-four foot bridge on the new road to the ferry from this city. It is the understanding of the commercial club for this bridge will be allowed and the county bridge contractor instructed to put in the bridge. The entire membership of the board is present and all are understood to favor the bridge.

Pasture for Rent.

I have 15 acres of good pasture for rent, five miles south of Plattsmouth. Good running water.
Mrs. A. E. Smith.

W. H. Puls, one o f m t. Pleasant precinct's hustling young men is in the city today attending to business, driving in this morning. He paid the Journal one of his pleasant and much appreciated calls while here.

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Crop Outlook Poor.
Estimates by grain men throughout the state indicate that the wheat crop this year will not be more than 60 per cent as large as last year. It is estimated that the total yield for 1910 will not exceed 30,000,000, while last year it was about 50,000,000 bushels.

The reason for the expected shortage is attributed to the lack of rain at the time it was needed and to the fact that many of the plants have been winter killed. Another reason given is that the warm weather of March had a bad effect. Farmers who have been interviewed by representatives of local elevator companies say that the wheat did not "stool" or thicken properly because of the weather conditions. This means that the straws will be short and not as heavy as usual.

C. S. Rainbolt, a buyer for the Cavers' Elevator company of this city, has just returned from a trip through the state, and in speaking of conditions said: "I do not believe the wheat crop in Nebraska for 1910 will be over 60 per cent of last year's yield. I looked at a large number of fields in various sections on my recent trip and in most every case the wheat has been winter killed. This was due, of course, to the weather conditions that prevailed at the time the wheat needed the assistance of the growing elements."

Mr. Rainbolt also visited Kansas and Missouri and says that conditions there resemble those to be found in Nebraska.—Omaha Bee.

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