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It is feared the forest fires in the northwest will afford an excuse for hiking the price of lumber again.

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Indications are that the tariff will be revised next time by tariff experts instead of by political experts.

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James Schoolcraft Sherman, westward bound to make standpat speeches, can learn something to his advantage by addressing J. G. C., Danville, Ill.

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It is presumed that the good old faithful lie, "the foreigner pays the tax," has been put on the retired list. The tariff grafters ought to give it a rich pension.

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Japan has taken possession of Korea from its rightful owners under the same unctuous plea of "the larger good" that led England to deprive the Boers of the Transaal.

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The president hinted to Secretary Ballinger that he would be pleased to have him "beat it," but Mr. Ballinger prefers to stay close to the administration and help beat it.

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It is to be hoped that as soon as the contest is settled between Governor Shallenberger and Mayor Dahlman, that every Democrat will buckle on his armor and prepare himself for the battle of personal liberty and against oppression.

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According to the returns G. M. Hitchcock received a large number of Republican votes throughout the state. This is a very strong indication that many Republicans are very much sick of a Nebraska senator representing interests in Rhode Island.

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It is with pleasure that we note the nomination of Ralph A. Clark on the Democratic ticket for lieutenant governor. If he is elected he will prove the ablest man that has presided in the senate for many years. He is eminently well fitted for the position and will prove no slow poke.

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If Senator Aldrich, who makes the tariff rate on manufactured rubber, has bound his intimate friend, for whom it makes it—the ruber manufacturing trust—to buy, at his own price, all the crude rubber that Senator Aldrich can import, where's the chance for the American market to benefit by free crude rubber?

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Over two-thirds of the voters of Nebraska are opposed to the present primary law. With the old convention way of nominating candidates, the Democrats would not have been in its present muddle. We never did see a primary election work with entire satisfaction to the candidates or anyone else, for that matter.

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The capital removal question advocated by Mayor Dahlman, certainly was a good thing and popular even within the city limits of Lincoln. It would appear that way from the big vote the capital-removing candidate received in Lincoln. From the vote Dahlman received evidently there is a goodly number right in Lincoln who want the capital removed.

Congressman Maguire should be elected because he has been a true representative of the interest of the people of the First district. His opponent is a standpat Republican, and has always catered to the interests of that faction. When you vote for John A. Maguire, you can rely that he will favor the interests of those he represents. Every insurgent Republican in the First district should vote for him.

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HE CAN'T FOOL THE PEOPLE.

The following from the Auburn Herald is just as true as quotations from the good book:

"The feeling toward John A Maguire, the congressman from this district is well illustrated in the splendid vote he received at the primaries. Although he had no opposition, he was given his full party vote, showing the desire of the Democratic voters in the First district to show their fealty and the satisfaction he has given as a true representative of the people of this state in the halls of congress. In addition to the support of the Democrats at the November election, he will no doubt receive the vote of the insurgent Republicans, as Hayward is now recognized as a standpatter, and is already counted along with Burkett, as a member of the Taft Aldrich-Cannon-Hitchcock group of statesman. If Hayward could only have kept his friends in Washington quiet, he might have fooled the people of this district into the notion that he was an insurgent, but the extreme satisfaction expressed at his nomination, together with the congratulatory messages sent him by members of this same crowd has given the snap away, and has lined up the handsome gentleman from Nebraska City with the forces that are working to keep down La Follette, Cummings, Dolliver and other insurgent leaders, who are endeavoring to get true representation for the people."

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TAFT AND THE INSURGENTS.

If President Taft thought to placate the insurgent leaders by calling off the fight of the congressional committee on insurgent candidates and by making a brand new, this-year's campaign promise to revise the tariff downward, he must be bitterly disappointed in the comment made by Colonel William R. Nelson's two newspapers, the Kansas City Star and Times.

Colonel Nelson is too old a bird to be caught with chaff. He does not propose to allow Mr. Taft, with a few promises and kindly words, to cut the ground out from under the insurgent movement and establish again his own undisputed leadership of the party. Colonel Nelson, who, next to La Follette perhaps, is the most powerful insurgent in the west, plainly regards Mr. Taft's move more as a clever blow aimed at insurgency than as a concession to it.

From the editorial columns of the Kansas City Times of last Tuesday we cull the following:

It is interesting to know, directly from Mr. Taft "the administration has no desire to read any person out of the party"—interesting, but not important. The administration which the Republican voters—and a multitude of Democratic and independent voters—elected to power in 1908, **has ignored the most earnest and most vital purpose that the voters had at heart in that election. Private greed triumphed again in congress.**

Attempts to read progressive Republicans out of the party were frequent enough, up to the hour when the state elections began to furnish reading more suggestive for the administration. The present administration has been, and can be, no more potent in reading men out of the Republican party than it has been in reading men into it.

Not content with these cruel thrusts aimed squarely at the heart of the trimming president, the Times aims this blow at the national congressional committee:

The announcement of the national Republican congressional committee that it intends to help the progressive candidates for congress in the coming campaign recalls to mind the very effective left handed aid the committee gave the progressive candidates before the primaries. For its contribution, from what Senator Dolliver called its "rotten money," to send speakers into Kansas and to flood that state and other western states with literature attacking Bristow and Murdock and Cummins and Dolliver, the progressive candidates and the voters are under obligations to the congressional committee. But now, **what aid can it give to the men who were nominated because they opposed the things the national committee declared to be straight Republican politics?** Does the committee expect to send Nelson W. Aldrich and Senator Guggenheim, for instance, into the Eighth Kansas district to help Victor Murdock?

The Kansas City Star is even more savage in its comment on the sudden and strange conversion of the president and the national committee. It quotes from the president's speeches at New York and Winona lauding the new tariff and criticising the insurgents, and then speaks right out like this:

Mr. Taft had his chance at real revision and threw it away. The fairest promise which he could now make, as a pre-election repentance, could not possibly be fairer than his bath tariff revision speech of 1906, which turned the eyes of the sqavre-dealers to him and which made the country confident that in him it would have an insistent tariff reformer.

In all the long drawn out contest between the people and the special interests in the congressional session not one word came from the president of encouragement for those who were manfully fighting for the people and to redeem the Republican campaign pledges. It was not until the people had been betrayed that Mr. Taft found it consistent with executive propriety to take a hand.

To talk now of further revision under exigencies of a campaign will not help. Campaign promises were made before and not kept.

This is merciless criticism—and effective as merciless. It is effective because warranted, and merely voices what the millions of progressive voters are thinking.

Mr. Taft had his chance and threw it away, as the Star says. He cannot now hope to placate and deceive anew those whom he has already deceived, by coming around "under the exigencies of a campaign" with a job lot of fresh promises and pretensions.—World Herald.

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The public schools will open next week owing to the fact that the pupils are denied the privilege of a referendum vote.

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Mr. Taft's promises to the people won't go any longer. He has sold them out once, and they don't propose to give him another chance to do the same thing over.

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This year's 3 billion bushel corn crop ought to force down the price of pork and hog products to a reasonable figure—although it probably will not.

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Perhaps Senator Aldrich is entitled to some smpathy. No doubt senators before him have applied the tariff to their own purposes, but they didn't happen to get caught at it.

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Governor Shallenberger says that after the recounting of the vote in Douglas county is completed, and Mayor Dahlman is still found to have a majority he will pull his coat and wade into the campaign and help elect him. In the windup the enemies of Governor Shallenberger will even be praising the governor for his many noble traits of character.

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P. A. Barrows, formerly editor of the News-Herald in this city, has been employed to direct the editorial columns of the rural Republican press of the state in the interest of one "Slippery" Elmer Burkett. This is sufficient evidence that Burkett stands with the Taft-Cannon-Aldrich standpat element of the Republican party. Barrows is a full fledged standpatter and he was not backward in declaring himself in favor of this cotorie during his career as editor of the News-Herald. His retirement as editor is sufficient evidence, also, that the News-Herald company would not stand such work, and called a halt, by requesting Mr. Barrows to step down and out.

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The Oregon plan provides for the renomination of a party candidate by popular vote for United States senator. The candidate receiving the highest vote in the primary becomes the party's nominee. Then the candidates must stand for election by the people just the same as candidates for governor or for any other office. If the candidate for United States senator be a Republican, whom the majority of the people vote for at the general election, and the legislature is Democratic that legislature is in duty bound to ratify the choice of the people at the polls. The same in case a Democrat is the choice of the people, and the legislature is Republican. But the Republican candidates for the house and senate in this county declare they will not do as the people direct, while the Democratic candidates believe the people are capable of declaring who they want for United States senator and will act according to their wishes. "Let the people rule."

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Evidently the State Journal and ex-Governor Sheldon want to run Aldrich's campaign for him. It will be a good thing for the Democrats if they do.

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Progressives had a field day in the Georgia primaries, too. The Smith with the mellifluous cognomen of Hoke won the Democratic nomination for governor, which of course means also the election, over Governor Brown, who two years before defeated Smith. The successful candidate is regarded as an advocate and exemplar of advanced legislation, and Governor Brown has the reputation of being conservative. But by far the most important outcome of the Georgia primaries as a sign of the times was the defeat of Congressmen Livingston and Howard. These men were known in the last congress as "Cannon Democrats" and on that issue they went down to deserved defeat. There are some other "Cannon Democrats," in the south and in New York state who sought to be eliminated for the good of the party.

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Edgar Howard in his comments upon the candidacy of Congressman Hitchcock for United States senator, has spared no opportunity to give him a "swipe" in his Columbus Telegram. Platte county is one of the big Democratic counties of Nebraska, and when it is known that it gave Mr. Hitchcock a good majority, it would appear that Edgan's influence was not so great, even in his own county. Metcalfe was Howard's favorite candidate, but this was not a cause for his bitter opposition to Mr. Hitchcock.

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Even if he is defeated for a renomination, Governor Shallenberger will still be warmly cherished in the hearts of the Democrats of Nebraska. That he has made a good governor everyone knows, and his defeat does not end his political career by any means. He is too good a man, and his recognized ability should land him in the United States senate two years hence. As to ability he is far above the men who represent the people of Nebraska in that body at the present time.

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The State Journal has already began to tirade of abuse upon Mayor Dahlman as the Democratic candidate for governor. It couldn't wait until the official count was declared. The State Journal is as much the cause of the big vote Mr. Dahlman received in Lincoln as anything else, and if it will just keep on with its bitterness against the Omaha mayor, and telling that in which there is not a spark of truth, he will receive a bigger vote in the "Holy City," at the general election than he received at the primary, and many of them will be Republicans who are sick and tired of being dictated to by the Journal ring.

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NEXT NOVEMBER.

New York World: The size of the Democratic victory that will be announced on the morning of November 9 will be staggering. It will include an overwhelming majority in the house of representatives and a gain of many United States senators. Ohio, the president's own state will be lost to the Republicans. New York, the state of the ex-president, will be sweepingly Democratic. Majorities will be so large that people will tire of computing them.

Not through Democratic virtues and abilities but in spite of Democratic blunders and weaknesses are those things to come about; not because there are more Democrats than Republicans but because there are more American progressives than standpatters; not as a rebuke to this man or that man in particular but as a condemnation of many men; not as a rejection of one policy but as a repudiation of many policies; not as an evidence of momentary indignation but as **voicing the demand of a great and free people for light, for truth, for justice, for economy, for peace!**

What are these bitter Republican quarrels but attempts in advance to escape the judgment which all know is at hand? There is a mad rush for safety. Responsible men are posing as irresponsibles. Old offenders masquarade as innocents. Sacrifices are offered up in the hope that the popular wrath may be appeased. There is talk even of a third term in the white house for the vociferous and lawless person under whom Cannon and Aldrich and Payne and Sherman and Dalzell got their strangle grip on party and country.

In spite of all this there will be no mistake about that which is to take place in November. It is to be more a Republican defeat than a Democratic victory; more a popular uprising against plutocracy and privilege than a party revival; more a matured verdict on Rooseveltism than upon Republicanism; more a rebuke of Taft as proxy than of Taft as president; more an expression of hope in Democracy than of faith in Democracy.

Turn on the light!

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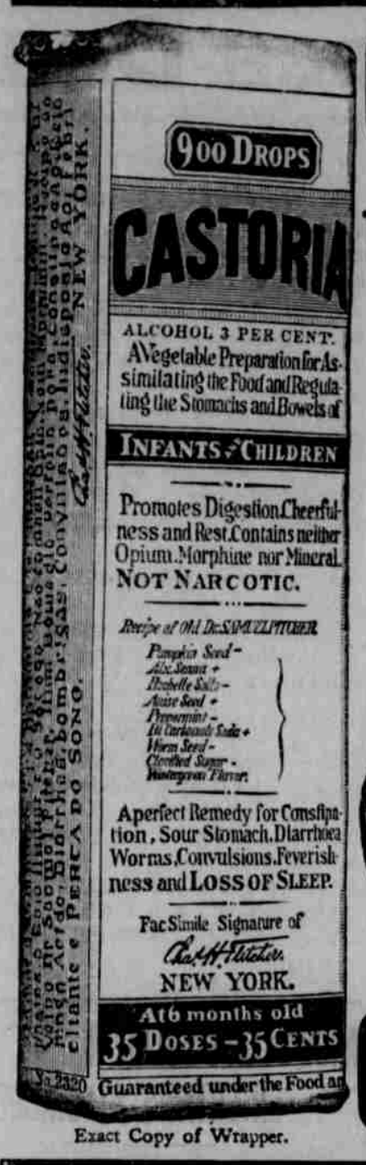

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SPEAKS UP LIKE A TRUE DEMOCRAT

G. P. Miller, editor of the Papillion Times was a most enthusiastic supporter of Governor Shallenberger in the recent primary. In the last issue of his paper he shows the true spirit of his Democracy as follows:

"Our disappointment over the defeat of Governor Shallenberger is not due to a lack of faith in the ability, integrity or efficiency of James C. Dahlman. Mr. Dahlman has served the city of Omaha as its chief executive during the past four years in a manner which has forced his most virulent opponents to admit he is the best mayor Omaha has ever had. Not even a suspicion of graft has attended his conduct of the affairs of that office. Those same qualities would undoubtedly make him an excellent governor. His views on the liquor question are extreme and do not coincide with ours but the views of his Republican opponent are no less extreme and come no nearer our views than do those of Mayor Dahlman. In all other respects he is far superior to his Republican opponent, Chester A. Aldrich. The interests of the people of Nebraska will be safely cared for with James C. Dahlman in the governor's chair."

P. W. Marks of Memphis, Neb., was in the city today looking after business of importance. Mr. Marks says the rain Sunday evening did considerable damage in his vicinity, strips of country suffered from hail. The heavy downpour of rain lasted for hours and reached a measurement of nearly six inches.

WHEN YOU CAN STAY AWAY FROM THE STATE FA

Secretary Mellor of the state fair board asked his hired man to write something about the state fair, and this is the result:

"When the frost is on the pumpkin and the fodder in the shock; when the thirsty politician is so dry he cannot talk; when the cow and little cowlets do not journey to the fair or airships rise in glory and go sailing through the air. When Jim Dahlman takes his water and Bill Patrick takes his booze, Bryan joins Joe Cannon's party, runs for office, win or lose; when the cat comes back life Jeffries and Jack Johnson turns to white; when the ships that pass in daylight are still passing in the night; when saloons shall close forever and the back doors close for good; when saloons out in West Lincoln make a quiet neighborhood; when our governor gets in better with the folks in Omaha, when they shout with loud Hozannasoe'r his famous closing law; when St. Paul and David City furnish governors for the state; and Republicans in office voluntarily abdicate; when the dome upon the state house shall be painted fiery red; when Bill Price quits playing martyr and is numbered with the dead; when in fact all this has happened as it may some future day, then you can in justice surely from the state fair stay away."

Greatest Ever.

September 5th to 9th are the dates of the state fair at Lincoln, and the 1910 fair is the greatest ever attempted to be held in the state. The attractions comprise the best races, four flights each day by the Wright aeroplanes, four great concerts each day by Lombardo's Symphony band and Grand Opera Concert company of sixty-eight people, the great Patterson shows and night entertainments consisting of three running races, concert, vaudeville, and a stupendous fireworks display on the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. In addition to the amusement features there will be the best agricultural exhibit shown at any fair in the world in 1910 and the second best live stock show. These facts should appeal to the pride of every loyal Nebraska citizen. Let's go.

Old Timer in Town.

From Wednesday's Daily.

E. J. Upjohn of near Ft. Crook was a caller at the Masonic home today, having run down to see Mr. T. J. Ringold, an old neighbor who is eighty-five years old and in not very good health. Mr. Upjohn has known Mr. Ringold many years, in fact, Mr. Upjohn came to Omaha with his father in the early 50's when there was but one store, a blacksmith shop and a "busted" bank in Omaha. He bought his first pair of boots at the one store which was in a log building stuck in the side of the hill at Omaha. Mr. Upjohn has seen the hamlet develop into the city of today.

George H. Reed and Mrs. D. V. Sheffer, his sister, were in the city today transacting business with Judge Beeson.