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Swat the fly at every opportunity.

Candidates have only a few more days in which to file.

The drouth has been broken, and Cass county at large has received a good rain.

What has become of the Folk boom for president? It seems to have gone glimmering among the things that were.

San Francisco has had another earthquake, but the warning was evidently fruitless, as church attendance was reported no larger.

The president talked to 100,000 people at Providence, R. I. Almost as many as would have turned out to see a Newport divorcee go by with her lap dog.

The democratic nomination for president next year is between Governor Wilson of New Jersey and Governor Harmon of Ohio. Either one will suit us.

Fremont is preparing to entertain the democratic state convention in good shape. Fremont is known for its hospitality and always does the proper thing.

That head-on locomotive collision at Indianapolis must have reminded Mr. Taft of what happens when an insurgent meets a standpatter.

The democrats will have no trouble to select three good and competent candidates for supreme judges. The state of Nebraska is full of able democratic lawyers.

It is strange how some people who almost get sunstroke in a shady office can play baseball, tennis or golf in a hot sun and never mind it.

Mr. Taft wants the senate to vote on reciprocity, and after a full line of speeches has been mailed to every voter, they may consent to do so.

The fat men are in convention in Boston, and let us hope that bridges, railroad trestles and steamship wharves have been carefully inspected.

The wheat crop in Cass county is much better than expected. Many fields are running as high as forty bushels to the acre, and several crops have yielded fifty bushels per acre.

It is inferred that the harvester trust opposed Lorimer because it realized he would be too busy serving the lumber trust and the beef trust to give efficient service to a third master.

It is fortunate that the national capital is located in some good, hot place like Washington. Were it on the cool Maine coast you could never get congress to quit talking and go home.

Most people make an awful fuss when the thermometer gets up to 100, but you never heard a farmer's wife complain even though it was 130 in her kitchen.

These are critical days for the cereal crops, but we notice that Uncle Sam usually makes his bread in his own kitchen and rarely has to patronize the European bake carts.

John L. Sullivan is to retire from the stage, but if he keeps on contributing his classic gems of English prose to the newspapers the cause of literature is still safe.

Banker Morse is now trying to get out of jail by a habaes corpus writ, in spite of the service he could do his country by keeping calm and attending strictly to the creation of cane seat chairs.

As the packers won't be tried until November 20, too early to assure us cheap filling for this summer's picnic sandwiches, some of us will have to keep on using lettuce leaves from the kitchen garden.

We want to see the democrats of Nebraska throw aside all past differences and go to the Fremont convention with smiling faces and happy thoughts, determined to do their best for harmony and victory. That is the only road to success.

There will be at least a dozen candidates for the republican nomination for supreme judges, and only three to nominate. We believe Judge Root is the one of the present incumbents that has a show for the nomination and we believe he will be successful.

Deaths from sunstroke on the Fourth were very great in the large cities. While only two occurred in Omaha there were twenty-six in Chicago, about forty in New York, and St. Louis and Kansas City had about nine each.

The peoples' independent party state convention will meet in Lincoln Tuesday, July 25, at 2:30 p. m. Cass county is entitled to six delegates. Maybe they thought Fremont is not big enough to provide for both conventions.

Representative Broussard of New Orleans wants \$250,000 appropriated for importing African wild animals. As most people can't look at Teddy's stuffed lions without trembling, they don't care to have the live critters around.

Senator Kenyon of Iowa intimates that there ought to be prosecutions for perjury growing out of the Lorimer testimony. Mr. Kenyon is an insurgent, and it is becoming more and more apparent that the insurgents are too impulsive to be entrusted with large public affairs.

For unmitigated gail, the officers of the steel trust easily could wear the ribbon. When an investigation of the business methods of this trust was under way, the attorney for the trust submitted a list of questions he claimed would make the investigation thorough.

Now is not the time to abate the general activity in swatting the fly. They have a case of Asiatic cholera under quarantine at Auburn, N. Y., and we have no means of knowing at what moment an Auburn fly may be hovering around the table or tickling our noses in an early dawn.

In speaking of Charlie Pool's candidacy for governor, the Kearney Democrat says: "It has been announced that Charlie Pool, publisher of the Johnson County Journal and speaker of the lower house of the 1909 legislature, has

announced that he will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor at the primary election next year. We have known Charlie for thirty years, and he has made good with everything he has ever undertaken with the possible exception of losing the office of secretary of state last fall by ninety votes. There will be other candidates for the nomination for governor, and regardless of who wins the nomination, there will be no better man than Charlie Pool."

The only June rise perceptible this year was the rise in the temperature.

Now that the Fourth is over what is the next act, carnival and stock show?

The wire trust seems to be in a fair way to be lacerated by its own hands.

It is said James J. Jeffries was among the number who passed a safe and sane Fourth this year.

With the Fourth safely out of the way it may be well to think about doing your Christmas shopping early.

Keep your swatter working daily, start it out at early dawn. For every fly that goes unswatted means a million later on.

Now comes the report that "Spain didn't sink the Maine." Well, who did? The American people would like to know.

There is a controversy over the job of catering for congress. We move that they be given no pie on days when they do nothing.

Congressman Latta is willing to make the race for governor next year. Well, he is a level-headed old fellow and will make an excellent chief executive of Nebraska.

No more holidays until Labor day, and the Nebraska City News suggests that knockers put in the intervening time to cutting weeds. Not a bad idea.

Those 20,000 teachers who have gone to San Francisco to attend the National Teachers' association want to look out for earthquakes.

The smugglers paid nearly \$3,000,000 in fines and forfeitures to the New York custom house the past year. Uncle Sam gets a handsome income out of the wickedness of his children.

Some energetic woman has invented a hat for women that needs no hatpins. Won't the men receive this news with delight? This is indeed a great stride in the direction of universal peace.

The president is away from Washington on a triangular trip to Beverly and Indianapolis, but he has left the thermometer behind to preach industry to congress.

The newspapers are asked not to print suicide news. Yet some people are more fearful of what the newspapers would say about them in this work than of what would happen to them in the others.

The weather bureau sent out the news from Washington yesterday that "rain is much needed in the great agricultural districts." And yet there are knockers throughout the country who charge that the Washington bureau never gets the right line on the weather.

It is strange that these college boys who break their backs rowing an ear in a boat race are so fearful of blistering their

hands when invited to wield a fork in a hay field.

The senate, it is said, will vote on reciprocity during the month. The country wants congress to act, and then lock up the capitol and hide the key until the first Monday in December.

"There is no truth in the report that I have agreed to support anyone for president in 1912," says Colonel Roosevelt. And yet several gentlemen are thinking of running if other things look favorable.

The government closed the fiscal year with a cash balance of \$33,000,000. This large sum will soon burn a hole in congress' pocket, and it was an awful mistake to let any of our legislators know about it.

Well, it will soon be time for the Commercial club "to be up and doing." The hot spell has kept the members too busy "keeping cool" to begin movements for more improvements for Plattsmouth.

The democrats of Cass county will hold their convention for the selection of delegates to the Fremont convention on Saturday, July 22. The state convention meets on Tuesday of the following week.

Wouldn't it be awful if San Francisco would have one of those horrible earthquakes while the Panama exposition was going on? There will not be one attend at San Francisco where ten would have went to New Orleans.

Preparations are going right along for the building of the wagon bridge over the Platte river. The material has been ordered and as soon as it can arrive on the ground work will be commenced in earnest. The bridge will be a great thing for Plattsmouth.

It will be a shame if the voters of Cass county are compelled to shove an office upon some fellows who do not want to serve always, from the fourth to ninth term. It is also a shame that in this big county of Cass men cannot be found who are willing to relieve the responsibility of such fellows. There is not much in it, only the salaries.

Postmaster General Hitchcock at last confesses that the government has been paying the railroads \$9,000,000 more annually for transporting the mails than they are entitled to receive.

Under these conditions it is no wonder that there is annually a big deficit in the postal department. Recently the statement was made that England last year realized a surplus of \$20,000,000 from her postal service. Evidently Johnny Bull is more economical than our Uncle Samuel.

The lessening of the toll taken each year by the Fourth of July celebration—24 deaths this year where last year there were 131, with the injured list cut down 70 per cent—indicates that the organized plea for a sane Fourth is proving very effective. Just what there is that is patriotic in blowing one's self so that the doctors cannot prevent tetanus is not at all apparent. The fact probably is that careless parents and reckless youths collaborate in causing these casualties, and that it is merely a question of whether the remainder of the community cares enough about the preservation of human life to step in and prevent these accidents. It is an interference with personal liberty that is perfectly justified, however, and requires no elaborate argument to support it. The policy has brought such good results upon first trials that the

chances are it will be elaborated so that in the future the fireworks business will be as unprofitable a line as a man can pick out.—Lincoln News.

"JIMMIE" HICKSON CELEBRATES HIS BIRTHDAY

Battle-Scarred Veteran of Civil War—Carries Several Wounds in Evidence of His Bravery.

From Friday's Daily.

Uncle Jimmie Hickson reached his 67th mile stone today, and is hale and rugged as a man of 20 years younger would expect to be. Mr. Hickson first saw the light in Lewiston, Pennsylvania, and no one is prouder of his native state than himself. He grew to young manhood in his native county and enlisted in his country's service as a volunteer soldier May 17, 1862, at that time being slightly under 18 years of age.

He served in the army of his country for something over three years, coming out a battle-scarred veteran, though yet a young man. And the scars left by the wounds received while facing rebel guns are plainly discerned. The first wound was in his left forearm, made by a ball at the battle of Malvern Hill; the second wound was a ball which struck Mr. Hickson in the forehead and it has left a large lump there as the effect of the wound. This battle occurred as Sheridan made his advance on Richmond; and the third wound and the rebel bullet which made it, remains in Mr. Hickson's right leg to this day and was received in the battle of Mine Run. A braver soldier never fought his country's battles than was our old friend, and we hope he may have many returns of his birthday.

BAND CONCERT LAST NIGHT A BIG SUCCESS

Many Turn Out to Listen, All of Whom Praise the Boys Very Highly.

From Friday's Daily.

The Burlington band boys received numerous words of praise for the splendid concert given last evening at the corner of Fifth and Main streets. The numbers produced were classical and played with such precision and ability as to evoke much applause at the close of each selection. Many remarks were heard on every hand of the improvement in the style of playing and the musical features of the program.

The players have greatly improved in their ability to render fine classical selections to meet the demand of the public. The second number on the program of last evening was the favorite, and the finished manner in which Mr. Schullhof and his players brought out the music in the selection met the approval of the crowd. A large number of vehicles, as well as crowds on the sidewalks, were out to enjoy the fine program.

For Sheriff.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for the office of sheriff of Cass county, Nebraska, subject to the decision of the voters at the coming primary election. I ask the voters to place me in nomination on the democratic ticket.

G. P. Barton, Union, Neb.

Taken by Mistake.

Whoever took a coat from the Manspeaker livery barn office on the night of the Fourth of July will please return same. It was no doubt taken by mistake. The party who got it is known and this is simply a reminder of the fact.

Announcement.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination of the office of sheriff, subject to the decision of the voters at the coming primary. I ask them to place me in nomination on the democratic ticket.

D. C. Rhoden.

For Sale.

Brood sows and male hogs for sale or will trade for fresh cows, Fred Patterson. 7-6-31w.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Patterson*

SENATOR BOURNE ON LEGISLATION

How to Prevent Misuse of Centralized Wealth.

COUNTRY'S GREATEST PROBLEM

Substitution of Popular For Delegated Government Suggested as the Solution—Steps by Which the End May Be Accomplished.

Discussing means for securing effective legislation preventing misuse of centralized wealth, Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., said:

"The greatest problem before the country is to make the people responsible for the enactment of laws by giving them power to legislate under the initiative and to veto under the referendum in case the legislative branch of any state fails to truly represent the general welfare of the people and also to make the people responsible for the selection of public servants under efficient primary and corrupt practices laws, thus making all public servants directly accountable and responsive to the composite citizen, individual unknown. The substitution of popular for delegated government is rapidly accomplishing this result, thus substituting general welfare for selfish interest as the motive power of government and goal of the public servant.

What Trust Decisions Show.

"The recent decisions of the supreme court in the Standard Oil and tobacco cases demonstrate that the next greatest problem before the country is the enactment of legislation which will provide broad, well defined, legal avenues through which dynamic mentality with centralized wealth can operate with the greatest efficiency, but with necessitated recognition of the general welfare of the people, the rights of employees and employers, insuring to the small stockholders their proportionate share of the increment incident to the operation of the capital in the aggregation of which they have participated.

"Centralization of people, government and business is an economic evolution incident to our civilization. Man cannot prevent but can provide legal avenues through which these great forces must operate with the greatest benefit to the general welfare and the least injury to the individual.

"The legal avenues should be as broad and well defined as possible, but barriers should be erected along the roadways providing for the imprisonment of any individual who attempts to break through them. Ascertainment of existing methods and conditions should be the first step; collation of opinions from practical employees, employers and economic students the second; analysis and deduction based on the ascertainment and collation of views the third; the enactment of legislation embodying conclusions the fourth; co-operation between lawmakers and business interests on the lines of ascertainment of the best legislation procurable, with resultant protection of the general welfare of the people and co-operative rights of employee and employer, the desideratum; ascertainment rather than investigation, prosecution rather than persecution, the goal; publicity and not secrecy one of the methods; the highest possible reward for legitimate efficiency and rigid obedience to the law, with personal punishment to the individual breaking the laws, the result."

LUMBERMEN BOUND OVER

Critchfield and Hall of Lincoln Held to Federal Court.

Lincoln, July 7.—Bird Critchfield and E. E. Hall, former and present secretaries of the State Lumbermen's association, were bound over to the federal court for the Eastern division of the northern Illinois district. The men were arraigned before Commissioner Marlay on indictments charging violations of the Sherman anti-trust law. The charge of the federal grand jury, which met in Chicago, was that the Nebraska men were members of a lumber association which, it was alleged, had been instrumental in blacklisting manufacturers who had made lumber sales direct to consumers. Both men admitted before Commissioner Marlay that they had been members of this organization, but asserted that they had withdrawn in the year of 1906. The men were bound over in the sum of \$2,500 each. C. M. Kincaid and E. S. Clark signed their bonds.

Suit to Set Aside Housh Law.

Lincoln, July 7.—Judge Walter I. Smith of Council Bluffs, recently appointed federal circuit judge, will sit with Judges W. H. and T. C. Munger in this city July 11, when the hearing on the application of William Gold and others for an injunction restraining the state from enforcing the provisions of the Housh anti-free gift onterprise act will be heard. A recent enactment by congress provides that when a state law suspension is the question at issue either a federal circuit or supreme judge must sit with the United States district judges in the matter. Several retailers from over the state, both for and against the measure, will attend the hearing.