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For Commissioner—Second District.
C. M. SEYBERT.

For Police Magistrate.
M. ARCHER.

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It is certainly about time to smoke out the tobacco trust.

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The summer of 1911 dies hard. Perhaps the weather man ought to get an ax.

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Mr. Taft's train was flood-bound, and probably Mrs. Taft failed to pack a pair of rubber boots in his trunk.

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"I have frequently wondered," says the Alfalfa Sage, "what 'a stiff upper lip' looks like. Did anybody ever see one?"

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No matter how angry Kansas gets, if a fellow with a large, sweet smile comes along the old state becomes sunshiny again.

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Canada is likely to change its mind on the subject of reciprocity in a year or two. Then it will be Uncle Sam's turn to be haughty.

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The concert of Europe is being all upset by the determination of the Italian horn to play a solo that was not down on the program.

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Fall pears are selling in Lincoln for 90 cents per bushel, in Mynard at $1 and in Plattsmouth at $1.50. Someone tell us why this is thus, please.

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From the amount of rain that has fallen in this country in the last few months some new excuse for drinking rum will have to be invented this winter.

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The people of Cass county, from all reports, are going to be very independent in voting this fall, and consequently it is very doubtful as to the general results.

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Taft says the anti-trust law must be enforced, though the big corporations always look at it as of the nature of a comic supplement to the Congressional Globe.

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A telephone girl was the heroine of the Austin dam collapse. Central gets very familiar with dams, with her frequent occasion to remark that the line is busy.

The Italian statesmen understand perfectly that the way to reconcile the people to bad government is to get up a foreign war with martial enthusiasm and high taxes.

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The victims of the Austin, Pa., tragedy are buried with eulogies and flowers and the blame laid on God, and then the engineers will go on building a lot of dams just like that one or worse.

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Kelly Fox has filled the bill so remarkably well as deputy treasurer that the people are very well satisfied that he is able to fill the position of chief much better than a man who knows nothing about the business of the office.

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Miss Foster, according to State Superintendent Crabtree, is one of the best school officials in the state. Is it any wonder that those interested in the public schools of Cass county desire her retention?

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Why shouldn't the Harriman lines recognize the union? Then Mr. Kruttschnitt can communicate with his men by using a 2-cent postage stamp, while now he must write personal letters to 30,000 of them.

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The Wall street newspaper organs think the government is going to destroy business. They seem to believe the theory that the way to succeed in journalism is to have an intelligent anticipation of things that never happen.

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President Taft urges that public confidence be restored. The president will have to do some notable back-tracking on his tariff record before the confidence of the public will be restored in him.

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Keep your eye on the ticket at the head of this page. Study the names thereon very closely by examining their records very carefully, and if you don't find it one of the best tickets ever nominated in Cass county, just take our head for a football.

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The days are getting shorter at both ends, which should be a gentle reminder to the electric light company that it would suit the gentle housewife, as well as business men down town, to have the lights on a little earlier in the morning.

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By orders posted yesterday in the Burlington shops, hereafter the employes will work five days in the week at nine hours a day until further notice. There will be no Saturday work at all. Heretofore the boys did work on Saturday forenoon and the most of them at eight hours a day. So it is just as broad as it is long.

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Notwithstanding the general uproar that has been going on, Holland, one of the widest known financial writers, is forced to say: "By searching beneath the surface of these events it will be discovered that they prove conclusively that so far as money and business conditions in the United States are concerned we probably have never been in a better state of financial health." That is what has been asserted in these paragraphs for months. As soon as the people generally understand that stock exchange transactions have nothing to do with real business, the uneasiness that accompanies them will pass away.

Italy should at least wait till Thanksgiving before making war on Turkey.

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If you want to make a barrel of money, spend a small keg in advertising.

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The prudent man never rakes up his leaves. He leaves them for the wind to dispose of on his neighbor's lawn.

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There is one question that never perplexes a postmaster-editor. He is never in doubt whether or not to support the administration.

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The newspapers are discussing the future of aviation, but if it is anything like the future of aviators, it will soon end in an untimely grave.

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This Italian-Turkish war need not think it will obscure interest in the football season. If it wants the spotlight alone, it should wait until after November 30.

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The Bryan meeting at Elmwood Thursday was well attended and his speech was well received by those present. Quite a number attended from this vicinity.

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Although many people are starting to cross the country by aeroplane, the germ-laden sleeping cars are probably a healthier method of making the journey.

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The old-fashioned girl used to put up preserves about now. Mrs. Newlywed is too busy writing papers for the Woman's club about preserving our institutions.

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In Kansas a husband and wife were fined for kissing in public. Alas! for the kiss. It has been declared insanitary and now Kansas decides it is disorderly conduct.

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Jack Johnson says the preachers are putting the first-class fighters out of business, which shows a commendable effort on the part of the parsons to earn their salaries.

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It having been announced that Texas has gone wet, the people of that honored state will perhaps now retire from the bulletin boards and resume their ordinary occupations.

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It should be understood that this tariff board is nothing whatever in the nature of a festive board, though President Taft seems equally as fond of one as of the other.

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The United States has been asked to intervene between Italy and Turkey. But your Uncle Samuel is well aware of the treatment usually accorded peacemakers.

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George W. Perkins complains that the anti-trust law "hurts business." However, it is not so much the law as the effort to enforce it that makes certain kinds of "business" fretful.

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In Massachusetts the republican state econvention denounced the "tariff tampering" by the progressives and democrats. Doesn't the convention mean "tinkering?" That's the customary term.

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Houston, Tex., housewives are boycotting sugar on account of high prices. The dispatches fail to state an instance where any of the girls turned down a box of candy. There are ways in which it is cheaper to get married.

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Mr. Taft asks for a more kindly feeling toward great corporations. In view of all their sufferings, it does seem about time to get up a benefit dance or theatrical entertainment for Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Morgan.

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They are now talking Governor Aldrich for United States senator. But it looks like nothing more than talk by a few of the administration pets who are holding down soft positions around the state house at Lincoln.

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One hundred and fifty skilled workmen were laid off at the Missouri Pacific shops in Falls City Monday, the idle period being announced to last for at least sixty days. Only a few men are retained for emergency work.

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The Wright brothers believe they have perfected a new type of flying machine with "the soaring wing motion," doing away with the propeller system. If this announcement came from anyone except the Wright brothers it would be received with jeers; but the public ceased jeering at the Wrights several years ago.

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In our rush to get rich, to lay up big bank accounts, we frequently overlook the fact that we may be making huge overdrafts on the bank of nature and find that at last, when we have advanced our bank standing to the point desired, we are bankrupt in health and happiness.

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While Mayor Dahlman has just cause to feel sore at Mr. Bryan for the part he took in the campaign a year ago, we believe that the friends of both Bryan and Dahlman will get closer together as the campaign next years comes on apace. We do not think the party should suffer for the mistakes made by these gentlemen last year.

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In the matter of James T. Reynolds for clerk of the district court, it is a true case of "the office seeking the man," and not "the man seeking the office." He is a man of the people and never held an office, but he is one of the best qualified men for the position of district clerk in Cass county. Remember these things as you go along.

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The Sugar trust extortion becomes more apparent every day. Bradstreet's reports say that the Louisiana crop will be 325,000 to 350,000 tons larger than last year, while it is acknowledged that the beet sugar crop is the largest ever known. The United States government and the sugar trust should lock horns and settle once for all which is the biggest and whether fines and forced restitutions for thefts shall be paid by the people or the trust.

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The people of Cass county have known Kelly Fox nearly all his life, and having grown to manhood right here in Plattsmouth, his record is well known and as clear as crystal. He has always been a good business man, and such an one as the taxpayers of Cass county can place the utmost confidence and the management of the affairs of the treasurer's office will be safe in his hands, and that the business of the office will be successfully carried out to the letter.

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IN THE MIDDLE WEST.

The Chicago Tribune has adopted a novel method of testing public sentiment, using President Taft's tour of the west as the basis of the experiment.

The Tribune has put its best staff correspondent on the trail of the president. Instead of going along with the president's party and gaining his impressions of public sentiment from the cheering and shouting, the seething crowds, the brass bands and the banners, this correspondent travels a few days behind. He drops into the towns that the president has visited and talks to all sorts and conditions of persons about the president and his speeches.

Thus this staff correspondent, instead of feeling the public pulse while the fever is at its height, makes his diagnosis after the patient's condition has returned to normal. He gets the sane, considered afterthought of the people instead of the somewhat hysterical effervescence that the presence of the nation's chief executive usually brings to the surface in any community.

The result of this correspondent's observations has brought to light two conditions, the existence of which has long been suspected by wise political observers.

One of these conditions is a notable lukewarmness toward the president in the middle west. The people have no particular animosity toward him, but they suspect that he is not the man for the job. This sentiment has been deepened rather than lessened by the speeches of the president. The middle west believes that Mr. Taft should not be renominated and that if he is renominated he will not be re-elected.

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Social at Lewiston.

The ladies of the Lewiston church will give a social at the church on Saturday evening, October 28. The proceeds are to go for the benefit of the church, for the purchase of new stoves and lights. The ladies are asking donations of pies, cakes, etc., at this time, and they want everybody to attend, and those interested in the cemetery are requested to be present. There is a good time in store for all.

For Sale.

A number of thoroughbred Duroc-Jersey males.

Glen Perry.

PANAMA POLICY IS DEFENDED

Roosevelt Discusses Charges That He Usurped Authority.

IN INTEREST OF THE PEOPLE.

Says He Used Authority of His Great Office for Benefit of All—Canal Is Being Built Instead of Being Delayed Indefinitely.

New York, Oct. 5.—Theodore Roosevelt has an article on "How the United States acquired the right to dig the Panama canal," in the current number of the Outlook. Mr. Roosevelt discusses statements which have been made from time to time that he acted in an unconstitutional manner and usurped authority in connection with the Panama project, and he upholds the regularity of the proceedings throughout.

Mr. Roosevelt says that his messages to congress set forth in full and in detail every essential fact connected with the various phases of the acquisition of the Panama canal. He adds:

"The simple fact was that when the interest of the American people imperatively demanded that a certain act should be done and I had the power to do it, I did it, unless it was specifically prohibited by law, instead of refusing to do it unless I could find some provision of law which rendered it imperative that I should do it. In other words, I gave the benefit of the doubt to the people of the United States and not to any group of bandits, foreign or domestic, whose interests happened to be adverse to those of the people of the United States.

Lesson of History.

"In my judgment, history had taught the lesson that the president has very great powers if he chooses to air those powers; but that, if he is a timid or selfish man, afraid of responsibility and afraid of risks, he can, of course, manufacture ingenious excuses for failure to exercise them. At a great crisis in American history Mr. Buchanan had shown himself to belong to the latter type of president; Mr. Lincoln had represented the other type—the type which gave the people the benefit of the doubt, which was not afraid to take responsibility, which used in large fashion for the good of the people the great powers of a great office.

"In October and November, 1903, events occurred on the isthmus of Panama which enabled me, and which made it my highest duty to the people of the United States, to carry out the provisions of the law of congress. I did carry them out and the canal is now being built because of what I thus did.

Did Not Evade Responsibility.

"It is also true that, if I had wished to shirk my responsibility, if I had been afraid of doing my duty, I could have pursued a course which would have been technically defensible, which would have prevented criticism of the kind that has been made and would have left the United States no nearer building the canal at this moment than it had been for the preceding half century. If I had observed a judicial inactivity about what was going on at the isthmus, if I had let things take their course and had then submitted an elaborate report thereon to congress, I would have furnished the opportunity for much masterly debate in congress which would now be going on, and the canal would still be fifty years in the future.

"The interests of the American people demanded that I should act just exactly as I did act; and I would have taken the action I actually did take even though I had been certain that to do so meant my prompt retirement from public life at the next election; for the only thing which makes it worth while to hold a big office is taking advantage of the opportunities the office offers to do some big thing that ought to be done and is worth doing."

STATE FAIR BLEACHERS FALL

Score of Persons Hurt by Springfield Accident During Race.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 6.—The falling of the bleachers at the race track at the state fair grounds precipitated 750 spectators to the ground, resulting in the injury of a score of persons, one of whom, A. G. Haines of Rochester, Ill., may die.

The last heat of an exciting race was being run and most of the occupants of the bleachers were standing on the seats when the stand collapsed. The injured were taken to the emergency hospital on the grounds.

Riot Over Car Tickets at St. Joseph.

St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 6.—Refusal of the local street car company to accept tickets detached from books in payment for transportation precipitated a riot here, which resulted in the serious injury of a passenger. Following the arrest of several passengers and employees, the company rescinded its order.

William E. Curtis Dies in Washington.

Philadelphia, Oct. 6.—William Elroy Curtis of Washington, traveler, journalist and writer on political topics, died suddenly in his room in a hotel here.