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The egg is beckoning to the butter to hit the tobogan.

It must have been a cold day in England when 500,000 coal miners went on a strike.

Reports from Chihuahua, Mexico, indicate that the lawless dogs of war have been loosed again.

You may as well reconcile yourself to the certainty that March has come to stay until April 1.

Food prices are soaring in England as a result of the strike. The food appears to regard the coal strike as a real deal.

When a man quotes history and it strengthens his argument, remember that there is plenty of history on the other side.

Do your bones ache? Have you dull pains in the back? If so, don't rush to the doctor. It only means that you have shoveled all the snow off your sidewalk.

Since the federal court jury in St. Louis decided that Mr. Kimmel isn't Kimmel, he may ask that the jury be sent back with instructions to report who he is.

Congress may investigate to determine whether or not postmasters are being coerced to work for Taft. A great many postmasters, of course, don't have to be coerced.

Let's make some effort to have the snow banks in the streets removed before we are visited by a "gully washer" rain and warm weather. If it should go off suddenly there can't help but be some damage done.

When the third-term subject was discussed after Mr. McKinley's second election, he said: "I not only am not and will not be a candidate for a third term, but would not accept a nomination for it if it were tendered me."

A Philadelphia magistrate has just decided a wife has a right to rifle a husband's pockets while he sleeps. As usual, Philadelphia is many laps behind the rest of the world, where the practice is lawful and common.

Secretary Royce of the state banking board, in his recent report, says the state guarantee law is working very satisfactorily and will perhaps recommend some changes in the law at the next session of the legislature.

Mike Harrington wants Champ Clark pulled down in Nebraska as a presidential candidate. Harrington always did like to do something out of the ordinary, and he is now trying to do something that will be an utter impossibility.

"Five million settlers could find homes in the south without crowding any of the good people now there," says an exchange. It's no more than fair to remind the writer of this squib that there is plenty of elbow room right here in Nebraska.

John E. Parsons, 82 years old, legal adviser to the sugar trust, is on trial in New York for violation of the Sherman law. Indications are that numerous other defendants will also be 82 years old by the time they are brought to the bar of justice.

Thus far Teddy has found no fault with President Taft's setting aside of next Sunday as relief day for the starving millions in China, but Mr. Roosevelt has been awful busy the last few days explaining his third term position.—Lincoln Star.

Mike Harrington said the other day in Lincoln that Chris Gruenther is the greatest political manager in the state. That he was managing the Harmon campaign in Nebraska, and cautioned the Wilson supporters to "get busy" and make a desperate effort to head off the Harmon boom, as, in the hands of Chris Gruenther, there is no telling where it will land.

Many of our farmer friends have called at the Journal office in the past few days, and every one of them speak in the highest terms of Julius Petz as a candidate for county commissioner. One old republican said: "Let the Journal keep on booming Julius Pitz for county commissioner—he is a good man and there will be hundreds of republicans vote for him because they know he is competent for the place and is honest."

The following bets are offered in Denver pool rooms on the next president of the United States: Taft will be nominated, 125 to 10; Harmon will not be the next president, 150 to 50; Roosevelt will not be president, 200 to 100; Roosevelt will not get the majority of delegates of his own state, New York, 5 to 50; La Follette will not be nominated, 50 to 25; Champ Clark will not be the next president, 300 to 100; Taft will not be the next president, 150 to 100; Wilson will not be the next president, 150 to 50.

The writer first met Champ Clark in the Missouri legislature of 1889, and our opinion of the speaker, at that time a member of the legislature, has never changed. We became a friend of him from the very start. He had that genial, whole-souled way about him, and while of noble bearing, was one great magnetic spirit, that was ever pulling new friends to his side. His heart is one that expands to the limit and when you meet him you will see a great big broad smile as you approach. If nominated for president and elected the people can depend upon having an able and conscientious man at the head of the government.

Jefferson not only declined a third consecutive term, but he also declined a third term after an interval of four years. In 1812, after four years in retirement, he replied to friends who desired his re-election, peremptorily declining. He cited many instances from history of elective offices having become life or hereditary offices through re-election, and declared that he had wished the term to be seven years with ineligibility to re-election. He thought the practice better, however, of "allowing his (the president's) continuance for eight years, with the liability of being dropped at half way of the term, making that a period of probation." He then said: "The example of four presidents voluntarily retiring at the end of their eighth year and the progress of public opinion that the principle is salutary, have given it in practice the form of precedent and

usage, inasmuch that, should a president consent to be a candidate for a third election, I trust he would be rejected on this demonstration of ambitious views."

Too often a politician will keep on the sharp lookout for an issue so he will be prepared to dodge it.

Did you ever notice how some men will give a dollar with one hand and grab two with the other?

As of course you can't cut ice with any comfort in cold weather, the price of ice will no doubt be higher next summer.

After serving a few weeks as a juror in York state Mr. Roosevelt may also become an advocate of the recall of verdicts.

A coal miners' strike means, of course, a coal shortage. A gas "strike," on the contrary, is always regarded as lucky, as it means more gas.

The ways and means committee of the house now proposes to transfer the tariff tax on sugar to silk. Well, that ought to help the poor cuss some.

If instead of a gem, or even a flower, we could cast the gift of a lovely thought into the heart of a friend, that would be giving as the angels must give.

Perp Morgan is regarded a great financier because he can cash his check for a million. But the man who is raising a family on \$9 a week is a greater financier.

It is estimated that two hundred eggs are used in this country every year for each man, woman and child. Poultry and eggs are the most valuable products of America.

New York state makes ninety-nine out of every hundred collars and cuffs worn in this country. Connecticut makes about sixty-five out of every hundred clocks used.

A vote for Senator Hitchcock for delegate-at-large to the Baltimore convention is a vote cast for a man who will add credit to the state of Nebraska among the leading democrats of the nation.

A sociological congress has been started at Nashville to study southern conditions. We don't just know what they can do on this subject, but they might start a night school for the congress at Washington.

The price of meat is expected to go higher than ever this year, partly because the winter has been unusually severe on the livestock and partly because the indicted beef packers in Chicago have been under heavy legal expense for several months.

Grant did not desire a third term, for he said so in plain English, and added: "I will not accept a nomination unless it were tendered under circumstances such as to make it imperative—circumstances not likely to arise."

Lou Genung, the eminent attorney at Glenwood, refuses to become a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Iowa. The democrats of the Hawkeye state are making the mistake of their lives in permitting Mr. Genung to withdraw.

The American Woolen company of Lawrence, Mass., is also found to have charged its child employes 5 cents a week for drinking water, whether they drank any of it or not, and it was canal water at that. By means of this, and Schedule K, the mills were enabled to pay large dividends.

Many of the adult workers in the Lawrence, Mass., woolen mills who received only \$5.10 a week would hardly recognize themselves as the sleek, stalwart, happy American working man usually depicted by the cartoonists as the tariff beneficiary.

The wise democratic voter will take into consideration the past records of the various candidates before casting his vote at the primary election April 19 for his preferences. There is a big difference in a true democratic, one who supports the party all the time, and one who votes the ticket only when he feels so disposed.

An old bachelor told us the other day that the reason he never married was because by so doing he could only make one happy and make many unhappy. That reminds us of a bachelor who died and left a will bequeathing all his property to the girls who had rejected him, for "to them I owe all my earthly happiness."

There will be some great voting at the primary election. The masses of the democratic party in Nebraska are not going to vote as the bosses would have them do, but are making a deep study of the various candidates, and will support those who are deserving of support as democrats and at the same time possess ability that will insure a successful administration if elected.

Speaker Clark celebrated his sixty-second birthday Thursday. In eulogizing Mr. Clark, former Speaker Cannon added his testimonial by declaring, "No one would be more forceful in the White house than Clark. At times I felt his opposition keenly, but his is a manly contest; he always strikes above the belt."

Hon. John H. Morehead, candidate for the democratic nomination for governor, is winning praise in every community he visits. The voters cannot help but note in him on first sight a man of noble bearing and also one of great ability. He is just the man for the democrats to nominate if they expect success. No one will ever have cause to regret voting for John H. Morehead.

We note that our old friend, Hon. Henry Gerdes, who has served the people of Richardson county numerous terms in the house of representatives, has filed for state senator in that district. Henry Gerdes is one of God's noblemen, and has always proved faithful to the constituents he represented. Having served about six terms in the house, he deserves to go up higher. The democrats should nominate him for the senate and the people will do the rest, because they know him to be a good man.

We would like to see the democracy of Nebraska united and harmonious. But it appears almost an impossibility, with men in the lead who are determined to rule or ruin. If you do as they want you to you are alright, but if you don't see matters as they do you are all wrong. There never was a time in many years in Nebraska when some bolters did not attempt to run the party and lose so to such an extent as to defeat the state ticket. That kind of democracy does not find any sympathy from the writer.

The apostle of the Square Deal is no mere preacher, for he will practice what he preaches. Or he should. He asked Mr. Taft to put aside his ambition to be Chief Justice of the United States and to stand for the presidency. Responding to a high call to public duty, Mr. Taft consented, and became president. Colonel Roosevelt now repudiates him and him-

self seeks to supplant his friend, his supporter, and his devoted follower in the presidency. He gives no reason whatever for his astonishing change toward Taft. It is not a square deal.

Former President Diaz says he has no idea of returning to Mexico. No one else who has left the distracted country desires to return, either.

March 19—one week from next Tuesday—is the last day for filing nominations. You will have to "toss your hat into the ring" pretty soon, or forever hold your peace.

Old men remember the statements of General Hancock that the tariff is a local issue; and how the general caused a laugh by his statement. Today in profound seriousness every opportunist politician agrees with the general's idea.

The disclosures in the steel trust show that it was steal from start to finish. And yet we find stupid men who are in favor of a tariff tax on steel. These same men would no doubt be in favor of admitting diamonds free in order to help the poor.

The lumber trust is said to be prospering in this country, and it will continue to prosper so long as the big concern has the tariff protection it now enjoys. The infant has grown too large to be allowed to continue on milk diet. Let it shuffle awhile for itself.

The average democrat, when viewing the scrap among the leaders, would be justified in singing, "Ev'ry time I come 't town I find 'em kickin' my party aroun'. Ain't no diff'rence if it's out and down, they gotta quit kickin' my party aroun'."—Will Maupin's Weekly.

Nebraska is one of the best states in the Union and could be made a great deal better if the people will work with a will to make it better. Every community can do some good in making such improvements as will forge Nebraska to the front as the best state in the Union.

Congressman Dies of Texas, in a speech in the house the other day, classed W. J. Bryan, Teddy Roosevelt and Congressman Berger as being among the foremost enemies of free government in America today. But, really, is the gentleman from Texas really competent of judging?

Chicago has 125,000 idle men and how to relieve them from impending starvation is a puzzling question. Republican organs gleefully point these starving men to our protective tariff and tell them it was devised and designed for their benefit. But in spite of it they are starving. Look at the real beneficiaries of our tariff and note their condition. Any of them starving? No, no. They are rolling in wealth and the poor dupes who vote for the system that makes their masters rich are answered with a sneer at the demand for living wages.

The high cost of living largely caused by the protective tariff as far as the United States is concerned, not only produces starvation and riots in Lawrence, but is forcing thousands of boys and girls out of school. The superintendent of the schools in Elgin, Illinois, declares that 158 children in the eighth and ninth grades of the schools were forced to leave and go to work, because, as the parents informed him, they were not able to keep them in school on account of the high cost of living. The "system" which the republican party has created in its many years of government is a war upon children.

## DEPART FOR THE SUNNY SOUTH

Two Plattsmouth Young Men Depart for Their Future Home in Texas.

From Saturday's Daily.  
B. A. Rosencrans, junior member of the firm of W. E. Rosencrans & Son, and Ed Scotten, who for a number of years has been invoice clerk in the office of Chief Clerk C. A. Hartford at the Burlington store house, will depart from Omaha tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock for Portland, Oregon, with a few days' lay-off at Salt Lake City. From Portland they will go by boat to San Francisco and Los Angeles, visiting the Plattsmouth colony at Long Beach for a time. March and April will be spent in the coast cities and vicinity, and on June first they will arrive at San Antonio, Texas, where they have accepted good positions with the Los Angeles Heights Improvement company and will engage in a general real estate business.

Both young men are hustlers, and Mr. Rosencrans has had two years' experience in the real estate business with his father, and we predict for both success in their new location. San Antonio is a growing city and full of young and thriving business men and Messrs. Rosencrans and Scotten will add two more to the number who believe in pushing business along legitimate lines and will give their customers always a square deal. We are sorry to lose them from our midst, but are pleased to note their having been called to places of larger usefulness. May the greatest of success crown their efforts and energy in the sunny south.

**March Records Broken.**  
From Saturday's Daily.  
Last night the mercury dropped lower than it has done in the month of March during the last thirty years. One the Iowa side, where the riprap gang is located, the thermometer registered 19 below at 5 a. m. At Fred Ramage's home at 6 a. m. it showed 10 below, at Fricke's store 11 below and at the Burlington station at 7 a. m. it was 6 below.

**Operation for Ear Trouble.**  
J. T. Reynolds went to Omaha Tuesday morning from his home near Union, accompanied by his son, where an operation was performed upon the young man's ear. He had been suffering with an ear trouble for some time, and it is hoped that the operation may give him relief.

**Ships Stock From Mynard.**  
From Friday's Daily.  
W. D. Wheeler, George Snyder and Will Fight loaded and shipped stock to the South Omaha market from Mynard Tuesday evening. We are informed that they were fortunate and met with a good market.

## Ira Bates, 8 Miles South of Plattsmouth (the Old Martin Farm)

has installed a Saw Mill on his place, and is prepared to furnish hard lumber of all kinds, posts and chunk wood.  
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