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Teddy "whooped 'em up" in Illinois. So did Champ Clark.

The Americans down in Mexico must be tired of this soap-box government.

Taft carries Kentucky, and from present indications will get the Iowa delegation.

A force of Venetian gondoliers could find employment in any of our Mississippi river towns now.

The up-to-date way of receiving a curtain lecture is to put a dictograph under the bed for use in the divorce court.

The evils of aristocracy will never be thoroughly eliminated in this country until they fix it so as to give everyone an office.

In about ten years the statues commemorative of the woman suffrage movement will show Fair Woman smashing plate glass.

There isn't much news from the journalistic view-point in the death of an aviator. The real element of surprise comes when you find one alive.

Astonishing claims are being made by the political managers, but some remnants of the earth's surface are not yet fenced into their back yards.

Champ Clark is evidently making some people sit up and take notice that his "hat is in the ring" to stay, at least until after the Baltimore convention.

What is going to become of the rights of private property, anyway, if a man can't keep his senate seat after good money has been spent to get it?

The women have always said pockets made their clothes look bulky, but the new panier gowns give them a pocket big enough to stick a bale of hay into.

Captain Scott is going to stay at the south pole to get more "data." If he thinks "data" is going to sell his lecture tickets he needs a new press agent.

The whole political situation can be summarized in a line. The republicans in 1908 promised to revise the tariff downward, and they haven't done it.

Ten thousand homeless people along the Mississippi. The government never thinks of fixing the levees until they are covered with water, and then it can't.

Governor Wilson's campaign letters have been stolen. He must learn that a candidate should never sign anything more incriminating than laundry bundles.

In the old days all you had to do was to join your father's political party, but now you have to think up what he would have done and then vote the other way.

Senator Bailey says the women are running congress. It would give us great comfort if we could feel that any power had been able to subject congress to its authority.

John Wanamaker says President Taft has never followed will-o'-the-wisps and rainbows, but he has searched extensively for golf balls, which is equally discouraging.

Yelling the socialist "L'Internationale" through the streets may be all right, but you would feel better to go down to the ball ground and holler "Slide, Kelly, slide."

Senator La Follette received 40,000 votes in Illinois, which his friends consider a pretty fair showing, considering that he did not make any pretense of carrying the state.

If the English suffragettes had not smashed the windows they'd have got the suffrage, but voting would never have been so much fun as artistically smashing a good, shiny plate glass front.

A newspaper has been suppressed in Mexico for revolutionary opinions, notwithstanding which we believe our old Presbyterian friend, "The Observer," ventures to keep on publishing in New York.

What leads the workingman to wave the red flag is not the making of money by efficiency of production, but the creating of multi-millionaires through shuffling stock into some new combination, where nothing is produced.

Ex-Governor Shallenberger says there is "absolutely no truth" in the report in regard to Chris Grunther receiving campaign money from the breweries in 1910. And we believe ex-Governor Shallenberger is right about the matter.

The political manager, knowing that all his delegates were elected by the free and untrammelled voice of the sovereign people, and all the other fellows by the machinations of wicked politicians, can claim that the god of battles is wearing his campaign button.

Mayor Dahlman ran "away ahead of the hounds" in the Omaha primaries Tuesday, receiving nearly one thousand more votes than any man on the ticket. He will head the ticket for commissioner. It is a pretty hard proposition to down Jim Dahlman in Omaha.

Senator Jones of Washington flayed Roosevelt in a bitter speech in the senate yesterday. Among other vituperations he said: "If Colonel Roosevelt had been standing on one side when Pilate delivered Jesus to the Jews, he would have slapped his hands and exclaimed: 'Most righteous, most honorable, most just judge.'"

The campaign managers in Nebraska of the three presidential candidates are doing a great injury to the future success of the democratic party in the state. They have no right to do as they have been doing and they have gotten to the point, evidently, that the people think the charges preferred are preposterous and will not now believe one word they say. That their utterances are gotten up simply to serve the purpose of making votes for their favorites.

Sam Hinkle of Havelock, who is a candidate for railroad commissioner on the democratic ticket at the primary election on Friday, April 19, should receive every democratic vote in Cass county. He is an old Plattsmouth boy and resided here for a number of years, and removed from here to Havelock, where he has served as mayor of that city two or three terms, being elected as a

democrat. Mr. Hinkle possesses every qualification required to fill the position of railway commissioner, and along with his excellent qualifications he is one of the most genial gentlemen that ever lived in Nebraska. He should have every democratic vote in Plattsmouth and surrounding country, because you know you are supporting a good man.

"Dark horses" are likely to cause some excitement in both the Chicago and Baltimore conventions.

It is believed that it may now be officially and finally announced that the backbone of winter is at last broken.

Champ Clark received a much larger majority in the Illinois primaries over Wilson than Roosevelt did over Taft.

Wouldn't it be nice if after the primaries the democrats could get together and dwell in peace and harmony? Let's all make up our minds to do so.

The republican state convention of New York passed resolutions favoring Taft for re-election, and yet there are republicans in that state who prophesy that neither Taft or Roosevelt will be elected.

Some farmers in various sections of the country have put in some good work dragging the roads. Keep it up, gentlemen. Good roads is what makes a country.

The result of the primaries in Illinois must have been a terrible blow to Lorimer and his followers. Many republicans now think that Lorimer should resign as United States senator, after having been set down on so hard last Tuesday.

Now some republicans want Roosevelt to come to Nebraska, and indications point in the direction of success in getting him to come before the primaries. It will be a sorry day for Vicky Rosewater and his gang of standpaters if he does come.

There are some professed politicians who think they know it all, and if you don't agree with them on issues and candidates, they think you are wrong. This is not right. One man's opinion is just as good as another's, and the sooner Mr. Smart Aleck finds this out the better it is for him.

As long as a democratic leader is right and advocates the true principles of democracy, he deserves the support and confidence of all true democrats. But when he flies the track and tries to pull his democratic friends with him, he should be "set down on" good and plenty.

Ben Baker and Howard Baldridge, two of the republican candidates for congress in the Second district, are placed in rather embarrassing circumstances. A federal law requires that candidates file with the clerk of the house at Washington a complete bill of expenses ten days before the primaries. This they failed to do. Tom Blackburn, the third candidate, was wise enough to do so.

Only one more week till the primary election. Bear the date in mind—Friday, April 19th. From present indications there will be a large vote polled and the democrats should vote for candidates whom they believe are the strongest before the people. If we want victory to perch upon our banner we must have a ticket that will bear the closest inspection and come out without a flaw upon their records. If this is done, and such a ticket is nominated from top to bottom, and the party becomes harmonized, as it should, we do not in the least

fear the result. This is a democratic year with the uniting of all factions in Nebraska.

There are many reasons why Hon. John H. Morehead should be nominated by the democrats next Friday. First, he is a reliable democrat; second, he is a reliable and proficient business man; third, he is a man of the people; fourth, he has the confidence of all who know him; fifth, he is a gentleman and scholar and possesses every essential to make a good governor. And last, but not least, if nominated by the democrats next Friday he will be elected in November by a large majority.

Mr. John Speedie, democratic candidate for state superintendent of public instruction, was in the city over last night interviewing his democratic friends relative to his candidacy. In company with County Attorney Taylor, who has known Mr. Speedie for several years, he gave the Journal a call. He was born on a Nebraska farm, was county superintendent of schools of Sarpy county for four years, and also superintendent of the Benson schools for eleven years. He is comparatively a young man, and has the appearance of one full of vim and energy and we believe he is just the man for Cass county democrats to support at the primaries on April 19. Mr. Speedie was also principal of the Gretna schools for two and a half years. His experience in the public schools of Nebraska certainly fit him well for the position.

W. H. Green of Creighton, who is a candidate for district delegate to the Baltimore convention, says: "If I should be chosen as a delegate to the national democratic convention and the primary vote disclosed that Judson Harmon had the state of Nebraska I would feel a mandate to support the governor of Ohio. After the convention I would again become a free agent and do not think I should support him at the polls in November." That is a very queer position for a person who professes to be a democrat to take, and the man who assumes such a position should never be allowed to go as a delegate to the Baltimore convention, or even be allowed to "peep in" as a spectator. The man who goes as a delegate and votes for the man that is nominated is more in duty bound to support the successful nominee at the general election far more so than the man who takes part in the primary, and we hold that the man who is an honest democrat will not bolt the nominee under such circumstances.

JAPAN AND MAGDALENA BAY.

It seems entirely possible that Japan might like a coaling station in Magdalena Bay in Lower California, just as there was long a demand in our navy for a coaling station in Oriental waters. It is also probable that such an acquirement would not be favorably regarded in this country. The more of a lodgment foreign powers get on this continent, the more money we must spend for armament to meet possibilities of war.

But even if the representations as to Japan's intentions at Magdalena are correct, and probably they are greatly exaggerated, to create a war scare out of them will be preposterous for many reasons. In the first place, the only existing difference between the two peoples lies in matters of trade. Just as a business man never commits assault and battery to persuade a customer to buy his goods, so the modern nation does not spend a billion on a war in order to secure a few millions of commercial profit.

Furthermore, the war scare crowd overlooks the staggering burden of debt under which Japan labors. Her people are taxed the

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THE DEMOCRATIC SITUATION.

Speaker Clark, in the Illinois primaries, countered heavily on Governor Wilson for the victory Wilson won over him in Wisconsin. While Illinois, like Wisconsin, is a republican state, and likely to remain so even in this year's election, the outcome of the fight there between Wilson and Clark is not without interest to democrats.

The fight was disgracefully bitter and personal, resembling more a warfare of extermination than a friendly contest between members of the same party. Wilson, on paper, appeared to have the upper hand, since he was supported by the major portion of Mr. Bryan's friends, and at the same time was given the support of Roger Sullivan, the big party boss, and of his well-organized machine. In addition, he had the support of nearly all the republican and so-called "independent" newspapers. He made a spectacular speaking tour of the state on a special train and was greeted with large crowds and evident enthusiasm.

Crowds and enthusiasm do not always measure votes, however, even when backed by such a machine as that of Roger Sullivan. Clark won, hands down, by the landslide figures of about 220,000 to 80,000. In Chicago, Clark won almost 4 to 1. The magnitude of his victory came as a surprise to both his supporters and opponents. It can only be construed as evidence that, in Illinois, Wilson is unexpectedly weak.

Wilson, however, may be expected soon to even up matters by bagging the big Pennsylvania delegation, since he is said to be supported in that state by both the "Guffeyites" and the "Bryanites." But Pennsylvania, like Illinois, is an overwhelming republican state which, while it may help nominate a democratic candidate, can by no stretch of the imagination be expected to help elect him in November.

Clark and Wilson have carried on their contest very largely, thus far, either in sure republican states like Illinois, Wisconsin, Kansas and Pennsylvania, or in sure democratic states like Missouri and Oklahoma. There remain to be heard from the great doubtful and pivotal states, most of which the democratic nominee

must carry to win—Indiana, Ohio, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, states which have democratic governors now and which, with a wise nomination, may be landed in the democratic column in November. As between Wilson and Clark, none of these states has expressed a preference, though Wilson may be expected to have the support of his own state of New Jersey. Indiana is for Marshall, Ohio will be for Harmon, New York may be for Gaynor, and Connecticut for Baldwin. The candidate finally showing a predominant strength among the delegations from these states can be elected if nominated, provided he stands squarely on an undiluted and progressive democratic platform.—World-Herald.

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Will Go to Colorado.

From Saturday's Daily.
 Our good old friend, L. B. Brown, the mayor of Kenosha, was in the city today shaking hands with his many county seat friends and looking after some business matters. He was accompanied by his nephew, L. B. Willard, who has been here since last November, but will return to his home in Fort Morgan, Colorado, today.

Frank Lorenz of Sheldon, Iowa, is in the city paying a visit to his brothers, L. W. and A. E. Lorenz.

ORDER OF SALE.

By virtue of an order of sale issued by A. J. Beeson as County Judge of Cass County, Nebraska, on the 31st day of April, A. D. 1912, upon a judgment rendered in said Court in favor of Joseph M. Roberts against James V. Kaspar for the sum of \$275.00 and costs, in an action in said Court pending wherein Joseph M. Roberts is plaintiff and James V. Kaspar is defendant, I will, on the 30th day of April, A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the front door of the court house of said county, in Plattsmouth, Nebraska, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described personal property, to-wit:
 Ten sacks of rye flour, 98 lbs. each.
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 17 sacks of Forest Rose flour, 98 lbs. each.
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 6 sacks of Gold Medal flour, 98 lbs. each.
 7 sacks of Heisel's flour, 98 lbs. each.
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