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THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

Do not spill the soul, in running hither and yon, grieving over the mistakes and the mistakes of others. The one person whom it is most necessary to reform is yourself.—Quigley.

Many a politician who starts out on a band wagon walks home.

It may have occurred to you that the early bird didn't get very much.

We note in the metropolitan papers that those 400 Turks have been killed again in Tripoli.

President Taft sees where he can save millions for Uncle Sam if they'll give him just one more term.

The D A R-ers have elected ten vice presidents and nobody charged yet with assault and battery.

The late winter will be known in history as the one that could "come back" whenever it wanted to do so.

The two remaining Allen outlaws seem to have read in the papers about the healthful effect of sleeping out of doors.

George W. Perkins says that he is the only man the beneficiaries of privilege really need. George must have been collecting campaign funds again.

While the labor troubles are pretty well settled, the customary May day disturbances of house cleaning will shake the social fabric.

There was one ward in Nebraska City and one precinct in Otoe county in which President Taft did not get a vote in the primary. Don't that seem funny?

The United States will have to take a hand in Mexican affairs yet if the Mexicans don't stop driving Americans out of that country and confiscating their property.

A couple of hundred people are reported to have been drowned in the Mississippi floods, but the newspapers do not give much prominence to these small local items nowadays.

The celerity with which the senators nailed the steamship officials must have surprised the slow-going Britishers. Uncle Sam can do quite a day's work if you can persuade him to get up in the morning.

Chester H. Aldrich, present governor of Nebraska, and recently renominated for another term, is already bragging as to what he expects to do to Hon. John H. Morehead, the democratic candidate, in this campaign. The great blowhard don't seem to anticipate what the dissatisfied people of Nebraska expect to do to him at the November election. The returns from the recent primaries show that thousands of republicans are dissatisfied with him and his administration, and we guess that Mr. Aldrich will have enough to do in sweeping his own dooryard, without having any time to put in upon that of Hon. John H. Morehead.

Trade of the United States with the Philippine islands has more than doubled since the enactment in 1909 of the law providing for the free interchange of merchandise between those islands and the United States. The total trade with the Philippine islands for the eight months ending with February, 1912, amounted to over \$30,000,000, against less than \$14,000,000 in the corresponding months of 1909.

John J. Gustin, the democratic nominee for representative, resides near Murdock and is a man of considerable ability and will average up with any of those who have represented Cass county in the past twenty years. He is a farmer and is highly respected by all who know him. The very flattering vote he received in the west part of the county would denote that he is very popular where he is best known.

If a governor has proved satisfactory to his party in his first term, does it look proper for his opponent for the nomination for the second term to receive half as many votes as the present governor received, and that opponent generally unknown throughout the state? Not much, Mary Ann. It only demonstrates that these 9,000 or 10,000 republicans who voted against Aldrich are dissatisfied with his administration as governor of Nebraska, and there is no other way to explain it.

As demonstrated by the returns from the first congressional district in the late primary, the democrats evidently have great confidence in the honesty and integrity of Hon. John A. Maguire, the present popular member of congress, who received the unanimous vote of his party. Paul Clark, the republican nominee, will think he has a hard man to down before he gets through with John A. Maguire, who has made hundreds of republican friends since he has been in congress.

Genuine democracy cannot change much. As conditions vary it must be revealed in new forms, but no matter what the form, it is always the same. It is for the sovereignty of the people and against special privilege. Men who assume to be democrats may change, and do, as Woodrow Wilson professes to have done, but the genuine democrat who is a democrat today has always been a genuine democrat and always will be.—Lincoln Star. That's the kind of democracy that will win. The man who is a democrat today and off tomorrow is not the kind of a democrat that does his party any good. There are too many such democrats that want to be leaders, and if they can't boss they won't play at all.

The sugar trust lobby at Washington is sending out a large quantity of literature, claiming that free sugar is wholly in the interest of the trust, in the hope of deceiving the people on that subject. It says that "the hearings have demonstrated the absolute error of thousands of westerners who have supposed that the sugar trust is friendly to the beet sugar men," and declares that the trust sold out all its best sugar interests and then had the free sugar bill introduced for its own benefit. The "westerners" are not at all deceived by these circulars. Whether the story is true or not makes no difference

to them. They know that if sugar is free, that competition with refined sugar from other countries as the market reports demonstrate, will bring it down about 2 cents a pound and that is the thing that they are interested in.

Charity covers a multitude of sins that ought to be exposed.

From present indications W. D. Wheeler will have a larger vote for delegate-at-large from the First district than any democrat for that position.

Although the late spring has made trade less than normal the local merchants are optimistic in looking forward to months of business increase.

If the democrats expect to win in this campaign in Nebraska they must get together and stay there and fight with all the vim in them. We can win if unity of action is adopted.

It appears that all the amendments to the constitution carried at the primary. But how about the general election? Many voters believe we should have a new constitution in its entirety.

The New York World is of the opinion that Roosevelt's nomination for president at Chicago is entirely out of the question. Those New York editors have a way of "catching on" to the drift of such matters.

Taft is gaining delegates right along. The Iowa delegation instructed for him at their state convention. His manager says he is sure of the nomination at Chicago. But Teddy and his trust backers insist not.

The race is only half run, even if Teddy does get the nomination. The people will become better acquainted with the Steel and Harvester trusts, and Roosevelt's connection therewith than they ever were before.

It would appear upon the face of the primary election returns that John O. Yeiser does not "stand in" with the voters of Nebraska. His vote for vice president was not a very flattering one. He did not carry a county in the state, and it is very doubtful if he carried even a precinct.

Don't give up the road business, gentlemen. Get to work right now and keep it up and work every spare moment on the roads during the entire summer. Good roads are what makes your surroundings more valuable. Last season Cass county gained the reputation of having the best roads in eastern Nebraska. Let us keep up our credit.

It was only to be expected that Mr. Roosevelt would find a new issue in the sinking of the Titanic with which to stir the indignation of the people. And the floods in the Mississippi valley came to hand at an opportune moment. If there could only be another earthquake in California just now it is a cinch that Teddy would find someone to denounce for it.—Lincoln Star.

The democrats have a candidate for governor upon whom all factions can unite and they know right where to find him upon every question in which the people are interested. While the republican candidate, the present governor, cannot begin to get the republican vote. He has not pleased them as governor, and since the returns from the recent primary he has found that out.

R. L. Metcalfe, who opposed Hon. John H. Morehead for the nomination for governor on the democratic ticket, sent a message of congratulation to the successful candidate, in which he also stated that he was ready to assist

in his election in every way possible. Mr. Metcalfe also calls on his friends to rally to the support of Mr. Morehead and urges all democrats to get together for the support of the democratic cause in particular. The message has the true ring to it and we believe the writer means just what he says.

New York republicans instructed for no one, in the hopes, perhaps, of a dark horse springing up. It is the general opinion among eastern politicians that as between Taft and Roosevelt, they will favor the president. Two years ago New York republicans would not support Teddy's candidature for governor because Teddy worked and urged his nomination.

THE PUBLIC DID IT.

A great many severe things are being said about J. Bruce Ismay and other directors of the White Star line. Many of these things may be justified, but it will be for the courts to pronounce a final verdict according to the laws of human justice. Meanwhile the responsibility for the production of the Titanic disaster is very much like the responsibility for a yellow newspaper. Just as long as there is a market for a certain kind of service it will be supplied.

The public demanded palm gardens and ball rooms and railroad time tables in ocean travel. The men who were in the steamship business did their best to supply the demand, just as a newspaper proprietor who is sure that his readers want yellow news does his best to provide yellow news.

All the time that the Titanics have been smashing through the iceberg belts there have been plenty of slow and sober ocean steamships that jogged along comfortably and safely. But the market for this kind of service was limited. It will be more extended hereafter.

QUESTIONS OF IMPORTANCE.

Why should George W. Perkins contribute \$15,000 to help Mr. Roosevelt carry the republican primaries in New York City?

Is it because Mr. Perkins is an ardent believer in the initiative and referendum?

Is it because his ardent soul is set on the recall of judicial decisions?

Is it because his confidence in "a pure democracy" is such that he is willing to make any financial sacrifice in order that the nation may achieve this goal?

Is it because he believes that Theodore Roosevelt is the only statesman who is wise enough and patriotic enough to be president?

Or is it because Mr. Perkins finds in Mr. Roosevelt the most serviceable weapon for destroying the Sherman anti-trust law?

Mr. Perkins is chairman of the finance committee of the Harvester trust. He is a director of the Steel trust. He is a director of the Standard Oil bank. He was formerly a partner of J. P. Morgan & Co. Mr. Perkins helped collect the life insurance money for the Roosevelt campaign fund of 1904, and he is a very practical man.

If he gave \$15,000 to the Roosevelt campaign fund in New York, how much has he given to the Roosevelt campaign fund in other states and why?—New York World.

Any farmer, or anyone else, for that matter, who reads the political events of the day should be able to answer these questions without half trying.

CLARK STOCK BOOMING.

Just as the Nebraska presidential primary race was warming up, the so-called progressive democratic leaders held a meeting and adopted resolutions urging Speaker Clark to withdraw from the contest. These leaders, frankly speaking in the interest of Wilson, insisted that Wilson had the call on the support of the

progressive element of the Nebraska democracy, and that Clark's continuance in the race must be construed as indicating intent to divide the progressive strength to the profit of Harmon. When the Clark managers paid no attention to the impetuous message there was rough talk about stalking horses, stool pigeons and unholy alliances.

The cool, unadulterated nerve of the proposal that Clark withdraw is best appreciated in the light of the primary election returns. They show that the speaker of the house of representatives walked away from the governor of New Jersey and the governor of Ohio, and won a clean-cut popular victory in his own right. Added to the results in Illinois and Kansas, and in Iowa, so far as the test has proceeded, the Nebraska outcome suggests rather eloquently that Champ Clark is the one democratic candidate who appeals strongly to western democratic sentiment. In the wake of these popular victories the talk of Clark as a stool pigeon or stalking horse necessarily must be abandoned.

The national strength of the Clark candidacy is surprising even the best friends of the speaker. When his candidacy was projected it was thought the main fight would be between Wilson and Harmon and that it would be so close that neither candidate could attain a two-thirds majority in the national convention. In such event, the friends of Speaker Clark wanted him in the field as a likely compromise candidate, figuring that the solid support of Missouri, together with such scattering support as might be picked up elsewhere, would place him in that relation. Both Wilson and Harmon have proved weaker candidates than anybody foresaw at the outset. Harmon, of course, was sadly handicapped the moment Bryan placed his wholly gratuitous ban upon the aspirations of the Ohioan. Wilson got into trouble at the jump when he made his grandstand play about being too good to associate with such democratic leaders as Colonel Watterston and Colonel Harvey. He also must have lost standing when it became apparent that he had "changed his mind" about many things in order to qualify as a radical candidate. Although Wilson's candidacy received the tentative approval of Colonel Bryan it did not take well out west. Having voluntarily repudiated the support of any democrat with a leaning toward conservatism, Wilson failed to win the earnest approval of western radicals. Apparently the disposition of the average western democrat was to look on the converted conservative from New Jersey as requiring a longer period of probation. It is suspected, too, that the governor's record as a college man and the silk socks that presumably went with the calling may have created a little human prejudice out west.

With Harmon under the Bryan blight and Wilson failing to make the expected headway with the plain people, Clark appears to have come into the role of compromise candidate a good deal sooner than had been anticipated. Seeking merit back of his candidacy, would-be supporters found a record of successful democratic leadership in the house. The most striking feature of this record was harmonious co-operation such as the democratic party has not known within the memory of any middle-aged man. Clark may not have been wholly responsible for this record, but certainly it could not have been made without his direction. In addition to this tangible asset Champ Clark was found in possession of something less tangible, but of value to any candidate for office, namely, the magnetism and wholesome human qualities that win the liking of men. In a way Clark was found to have the personal attractions of Bryan, plus a reputation for

Two Fine Kentucky Bred Jacks!

JIM - CROW!

(License Certificate No. 5333, J. 867)

JIM CROW is a Kentucky Bred Jack, seven years old, black with white points, and is 13 1/2 hands high. He is a very high grade animal and a sure foal getter. He will make the season of 1912 at the livery barn of D. C. Rhoden, in Murray, Nebraska. You will make no mistake in breeding to this Jack. His colts speak for themselves.

The Celebrated Young Jack

Jesse James, Jr.

(License Certificate No. 5334, J. 867)

JESSE JAMES, JR., is a young Jack coming four years old, Kentucky bred, and black with white points, stands 13 1/2 hands high, foaled July 24, 1908. Jesse James will make the season 1912 at my farm, 3 1/2 miles southeast of Murray, to a limited number of mares. He is a sure foal getter and his colts are of the finest quality, big bone and large animals.

TERMS!—The following terms will apply to service of both Jacks:—\$13.00 to insure a colt to stand and suck, if paid within 30 days after due, if not \$15.00 will be charged. All due precaution will be taken to prevent accidents, but owner will not be responsible should any occur. When mares are sold or removed from the county, service fee becomes due and payable immediately, and under all circumstances must be paid.

-W. F. MOORE-

harmonious leadership that Bryan had never been able to attain.

A two-thirds majority in a national convention means a high hill, and Clark may never be able to climb it. Just now his chances of getting to the top are better than those of any other candidate.—Sioux City Journal.

NEW BARBER SHOP IN CEDAR CREEK.

I wish to announce that I have just opened a new barber shop in Cedar Creek, and hereby solicit the trade of the community in that line. Also notary public work done. S. J. Reames.

Mrs. Elliott Improving.

From Saturday's Daily. Asbury Jacks returned from Immanuel hospital at Omaha last evening, where he had visited his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Elliott, for a couple of days. Mrs. Elliott cannot taken any nourishment yet and has been quite sick from the effects of the anesthetic which was administered while undergoing the operation. She told her father before he left last evening that she thought she was better.

Miss Gretchen Donnelly of Plattsmouth is in the city, a guest of Miss Florence Fassbender. Miss Donnelly is one of the young ladies who was a member of the minstrel company that came here from Plattsmouth.—Nebraska City News.

Mrs. Joseph Droege visited Omaha friends for a few hours between trains today.

BREEDERS ATTENTION

I wish to announce that all my horses and Jack will make the season of 1912, at my farm, 1 mile south of Mynard:

HUBERT, the celebrated Belgian Horse.

COLONEL, the great breeding English Shire.

PRIZELANDER, the thoroughbred trotting horse.

TOM, the mammoth sure foal getting Jack.

TERMS!—\$10.00, which applies to all horses, and \$15.00 for the Jack, to guarantee colt to stand and suck. All care will be taken to prevent accidents, but owner will not be responsible for any that may occur.

W. A. FIGHT