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## BUT WHY?

We know why the hop vine twines round and round, But why this high cost of living?  
We know why the sky is a beautiful blue, But why this high cost of living?

Democratic precinct primaries to select delegates to the county convention, next Saturday, July 20.

Remember the democratic primaries on Saturday, July 20, and don't fail to attend your precinct meetings.

Mike Harrington as a flopper is about equal to Aldrich. Thus far he has one flop—the best of the governor.

Delegates to the democratic state convention at Grand Island should be selected from different sections of the county.

Will Maupin's Weekly dubs the would-be-to-be great statesman of O'Neil as "Michael Flipflop Harrington." Very appropriate.

Governor Aldrich may be a good lawyer and an excellent horse-trader, but he has signally failed to fill the bill as governor.

"Nebraska democrats should bear in mind that Mr. Bryan is not an issue in Nebraska," says Will Maupin's Weekly. Of course not.

It seems that many people who never supported a democratic candidate for president are declaring themselves for Wilson and Marshall.

We never were a man or hero-worshipper, and never will be. If the man we highly respect goes wrong we criticize him as cheerfully as though he were an enemy.

Attend your democratic primaries Saturday, July 20, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention Saturday, July 27—one week following.

Blonde Boss Lorimer has at last been "fired" from the United States senate. Stephenson of Wisconsin is just as guilty as Lorimer and should be made to walk the same plank.

The county convention for the purpose of selecting delegates to the democratic state convention will meet in Plattsmouth on Saturday, July 27. Remember the date, as it is important that a full delegation be sent to the Grand Island convention.

The New York Sun says it will support Marshall for vice president, but cannot support Wilson for president. That is a funny position for a great daily like the Sun to take. It looks to us that it would be impossible to support one without the other. They are inseparable when it comes to the voting.

Democrats do not want to depend too much upon the disruption of the republican party, nationally speaking, for success in Nebraska. If we win, we must win with a united party, and to obtain a united party we must not throw obstacles in the way to cause the least disruption in our own ranks. It will be well to keep these suggestions in mind.

Some fellows are experts at predicting in presidential campaigns, but somehow or other their predictions turn out against them. They have been predicting good results to the democrats.

The next president of the United States was named by the democratic convention. He is known the country over as Woodrow Wilson, and he will be known in history as one of the great American executives.—Boston Post (Rep.)

Governor Aldrich complains that the newspapers of the state misquote him. Perhaps it is lucky for him that they do. If they quoted him in the way he says a thing, and the language he uses in expressing it, he would be worse off than ever.

Stop advertising in hot weather? Certainly not. You have dozens, scores, possibly hundreds of things in your store that people need and ought to buy in hot weather. And they will buy—provided your advertising tells them the reasons why, and does this persuasively, pointedly and persistently.—Omaha Trade Exhibit.

R. L. Metcalfe will take the stump for Hon. John H. Morehead and in every way possible assist in the election of the democratic candidate for governor. It will be remembered that Mr. Metcalfe opposed Senator Morehead in the primary for the nomination, and his action in campaigning the state in the interest of the democratic candidate demonstrates that Met is a democrat after our own heart.

The Journal was never more confident of the election of any man to a position of honor than it is in the election of Hon. John H. Morehead to the position of governor of Nebraska. The people of Nebraska who have the pleasure of his acquaintance are most highly in their praise of Mr. Morehead, and the more they see and hear of him the more they become impressed with his many manly traits of character.

There is not a true democrat in Nebraska but who wants to see the party succeed at the November election. And as a starter in this direction, every delegate should go to the Grand Island convention with a determination for peace and harmony. We have everything to fight for and we should have a united party from start to finish, and the man or set of men who goes to that convention to "rule or ruin" should be sat down upon—and pretty hard, too.

In order to have a peaceful and harmonious party there should be no bosses countenanced. One member of the party has just as much right to his opinion as to the adoption of measures within the party council as another, and then, whichever way the majority rules, let that be the prevailing sentiment of the party. The party must proceed cautiously at Grand Island, as on the movements of that convention depends to a great extent the success of the democratic party in Nebraska.

Senator La Follette sums up his conclusions in response to Roosevelt as follows: "Mr. Roosevelt appeals to progressives to join his party. Roosevelt's whole record demonstrates that he has

no constructive power, that he is progressive only in words; that he is ever ready to compromise in order to win, regardless of platform promises or progressive principles. He will not last. In the end the people of this country will get his true measure." And the senator has Teddy down about right.

Perfect harmony all along the line is the democratic outlook.

Don't fail to attend your ward primaries Saturday evening, July 20, at 8 o'clock.

America's hen last year laid 217 eggs for each inhabitant, and yet we look upon the eagle as the national bird.

That eastern farmer who has spent \$1,000 in a suit over a \$20 cow has reason to kick about the price of beef.

There are many nice, clean republicans, and they don't all stand in with Aldrich, Norris, Paul Clark & Company, either.

What about Paul Clark? He hasn't said a word about Roosevelt lately. Maybe some of the Taftites have muzzled him. How about it, Paul?

Wonder if Michael Flipflop Harrington isn't somewhat disappointed that no one answered his recent letter to the World-Herald? This would have given him an opportunity to write again. But no one thought enough of what he said to pay any attention to it.

Champ Clark is for Woodrow Wilson, and you can bet your bottom dollar he will do more good work for the democratic ticket than any one man in the nation. That's the way the gentleman from Missouri shows his loyalty to the democratic party every day in the year.

The democrats who attend the Grand Island convention as delegates should be prevailed upon to throw aside all differences engendered in past campaigns and carry a "harmony flag" over their heads as they enter the convention hall. It will bring forth good results.

The democrats have put their best foot forward. They have nominated Woodrow Wilson. If the people want the new third party they will have to demand it as a fundamental principle, and not as a personal indorsement of any man. This is what Theodore Roosevelt asked.—Chicago Post.

Where there is one democrat who is not for Wilson and Marshall there is a dozen or more republicans come out for the democratic ticket. Very few democrats renounce Wilson and Marshall, and those who are guilty of such a thing are on the Michael Flipflop Harrington order. And every prominent democrat in Nebraska knows that he changes pretty nearly as often as the moon.

The Lincoln Star says that at a local meeting of democrats in that city, suspected of having been called to boost Tom Allen for chairman of the state committee, one of the speakers declared that there has been a reactionary tendency among some democrats, that the democrats have had to make their campaigns on oddlar contributions, but that some of them were anxious to inherit the republican faculty of getting campaign funds in checks. Nobody objected, either, that Mr. Morning was getting personal. This probably accounts for the confidential letter Tommy addressed to W. F. Gillespie of Mynard. There is not a particle of use in getting up a muss like this, for every democrat in Nebraska is for Wilson and Marshall, and the best way to keep them that way is to drop all maneuvering that is cal-

culated to engender strife or discord. Champ Clark received nearly as many votes as both Wilson and Harmon in Nebraska, and these are all progressives, but they are not in the humor to stand any monkey business from Tom Allen, who was chairman of the committee for several years, and democratic victories were very scarce during his incumbency. The Journal wants peace and the only way to have it is for all hands to dwell together in harmony.

The constitution of the United States is 125 years old—less a few holes that have been shot into it lately, and possibly some that will be shot into it later. It is a good constitution if it is used, but it will not last another 125 years if the leaders of the republican party have their way about it.

Democratic conventions in Nebraska will not be bothered any more with Michael Flipflop Harrington. He has deserted us and proffered his services as the chief scoopman for the "Bull Moose" candidate. He voted for Woodrow Wilson in the state primary and now he bids farewell to the party because Wilson was nominated.

Direct election of United States senators is an accomplished fact through primary election in so many states, that the folly of opposing it becomes more apparent every day. Whether or not that way is best, it would be much better to have it accomplished by election than wholly left to the loose methods and corruption incident to the modern primary.

Every democrat who voted for Champ Clark and every democrat who voted for Governor Harmon is now supporting Woodrow Wilson, and it appears to irritate a certain coterie of democrats in Nebraska because they are. They certainly could not expect to carry Nebraska without the aid of the Clark supporters even, and they ought to have sense enough to know it.

Governor Aldrich is happiest when he can face an audience and denounce the Sanborn decision and tell how he, Hadley of Missouri and Harmon of Ohio were made a committee to prepare the brief in the rate cases.—Will Maupin's Weekly. Governor Harmon being caught in company with two such blowhards as Aldrich and Hadley is probably the reason he didn't get more votes than he did in Nebraska.

"Bull Moose" Roosevelt entertained Perkins, McCormick and other "big interests" the other day, and of course arrangements were made to finance the third-term party. But Roosevelt, Perkins, McCormick & Co. can't pull the wool over the eyes of the people this year like they have in the past. They may have the money to buy, but the voters of this country are more independent this year than they ever were in many years past.

The Chicago Tribune is not very favorably impressed with the outlook for republican success in Illinois this year, because the Roosevelt followers threaten to put another state ticket in the field: "The progressive movement is jeopardized in Illinois by a few men to whom it means chiefly an opportunity for political advancement. They desire to nominate a full ticket for Colonel Roosevelt to pull into office. The danger is that this ticket will prove such a drag as to prevent the colonel from carrying the state."

When we democrats cast our optics over the Nebraska landscape and view the magnificent prospects for a glorious victory this fall, we can hardly believe that any democrats are so constituted as to have their minds set on going to the Grand Island con-

vention to either rule or ruin, and thus blight these glowing prospects. Let each delegate go to that convention with his mind made up that harmony and good feeling shall prevail throughout that entire deliberation of the men who are sent there to represent the rank and file of the democratic voters, and good feeling is bound to come to the front. The masses of the party will then be in readiness to pull off their coats and work from early morn till dewy eve until the dawn of day on the 5th day of November, and then, in one solid phalanx, march to the polls with victory inscribed upon our banners.

## "ALL DEMOCRATS TOGETHER."

The Lincoln Star, a welcome and able recruit to the cause of democracy in Nebraska, sapiently reminds certain Nebraska democrats that "inviting a fight is a poor way to avoid one."

It would certainly be unwise, contends the Star, for the democrats of this state to become involved in a fight among themselves in the coming convention at Grand Island. Nobody should receive countenance in any act tending to inject factional feeling into the convention, or into the campaign. To do so is to imperil the democratic movement. The Star is exactly right when it says:

"Before we begin quarreling over the privilege of distributing state patronage under a good government, let us all first get that good government. Only by recognizing that man who starts out to raise a quarrel is thinking more of himself than of the public welfare can the champions of Woodrow Wilson hope to bring to him and his cause the largest measure of success."

There is no reason why all Nebraska democrats should fail to get together this year and fight as one man in support of the ticket nominated and the platform adopted at Baltimore, as well as in support of the candidates nominated in this state. Woodrow Wilson, John H. Morehead and Ashton C. Shallenberger, together with those with them on the ticket, deserve the solid democratic vote, and deserve to have a harmonious, united and aggressive party behind them. They will have it unless factional fomenters start in at Grand Island, with a campaign of reprisal and proscription. And they will have it anyway if the convention wisely and energetically sits down on anyone who seeks for selfish reasons, to precipitate that kind of a fight.

The signal in Nebraska should be, "All democrats together." Most of us had our favorites in the primaries. Many of us have differed with each other as to certain lines of minor policy. But the primaries are over. The ticket is named. It is clean and worthy. Every democrat can be proud of it, none needs apologize for it, and should be glad to support it. Differences that have arisen in the past have no place, no right, in this fight. Right and left and center, the democratic lines should stand fast, each division recognizing the need of the co-operation of every other division, and every private and officer in all division ready to subordinate his own interests and possibly prejudices to the common good.

The democrats who supported Harmon in the primaries, and those who supported Clark, stand prepared to lend a support just as loyal, just as zealous, to the great fighting governor of New Jersey. They stand eager to show to the world the inspiring spectacle of a united democracy in Nebraska to contrast with the spectacle of a divided and warring opposition. We predict that any man, or any little coterie of men, who may go to Grand Island bent on punishing, or "getting the scalps" of any of their fellow democrats will have the time of their sweet young

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