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BOOST, DARN YOU, BOOST

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When any fellow starts to knock
 This town in any way,
 Our dads to dig, our maids
 to mock,
 Our government to flay,
 Just take the knocking one
 aside,
 And ere your hold is
 loosed,
 Just whisper gently, "Darn
 your hide,
 Now boost, you knocker,
 boost!"

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The general impression is that congress will adjourn about August 15.

Not long until the big battle will begin in earnest, and the democrats should all get in battle array for the great conflict.

Reports from sections of the state where the republicans have held their county conventions, Taft followers seem to be in the saddle so far.

It seems very queer how some fellows are so eager to attend their party caucuses when they think there is a show to advance their own selfish desires.

It is said that Victor Rosewater is slated for chairman of the republican state convention if Taft's friends are in control. Well, who has a better right to be?

The Bull Moose party in Michigan have placed a full state ticket in the field, greatly to the disfavor of Governor Osborn. There will be two tickets in that state.

Speaker Clark, followed by one hundred and sixteen members of the house, visited Governor Wilson Saturday. Champ Clark is right in harmony with Governor Wilson.

A great many republican county conventions have already been held to select delegates to the state convention, and a big majority of them have endorsed President Taft.

Teddy's convention comes off August 5, and the admission price will range from \$10 to \$20. We have no idea of attending, and then we think the price is rather high for a side attraction.

The ward caucuses were quite well attended Saturday night. The city convention at the council chamber after the ward meetings was also well attended. Al Despain and Ed Ruffner were renominated for assessors.

That man Dixon of Montana, who has charge of the Roosevelt campaign, says that after the 5th of August, that being the date of the Bull Moose convention at Chicago, he will see that a Roosevelt ticket will be nominated in every state in the union.

There is not a Harmon supporter, a Clark supporter or a Wilson supporter but who is a progressive and every one of them desires a progressive platform adopted at the Grand Island convention. They are all for Wilson and Marshall and victory.

The democratic county convention will be represented by full delegations from every precinct in the county. Much enthusiasm seems to have prevailed. We hope to see every precinct rep-

resented by representative democrats who are eager for victory.

From reports from the various county democratic conventions held in the state Saturday it seems that all the democrats are favorable to cutting out all dissensions that may arise at the Grand Island convention. That's just what should be done.

The Lancaster county democratic convention Saturday seemed to be a very harmonious affair and there were no signs of a desire to raise a rumpus at the Grand Island convention, in case some of the Lincoln high-steppers failed in having everything their own way.

Suppose the republican state convention at Lincoln endorses the candidacy of Taft, what will Aldrich, Norris and Paul Clark do then? They must step down and out—that's all that is left for them to do.

It is rumored that Aldrich, Norris and Paul Clark will withdraw from the race if the republican state convention endorses Taft. But then, we don't believe it, notwithstanding they have made themselves very obnoxious to the Taft supporters.

We are so anxious for harmony and good feeling at Grand Island that if every democrat who goes to that convention as a delegate feels as we do they can easily forgive and forget what has previously transpired in our party ranks. It is an easy thing to do if you only think so.

Old Ben Baker seems to have everything to his liking among the republicans in Douglas county, and delegates were elected to the republican state convention all of whom are for Taft. John O. Yeiser held a little convention of his own and selected Bull Moose party delegates. It looks like John O. is in the soup.

Paul Clark seems to be in a terrible bad fix. He has talked too much with his mouth—attempted a bulldozing method to make all the Taft supporters come his way. But he has failed in his effort, and now, like Aldrich, has started in to hedge. The would-be congressman has bitten off more than he can "chew," and the Taft people have him branded for slaughter in November.

The governor has selected 155 papers in Nebraska to publish the constitutional amendments. In some counties the work is divided between five and six papers. In Cass county the work is divided into four equal parts—the Louisville Courier, Weeping Water Republican, Union Ledger and Plattsmouth News-Herald. The amount of \$50,000 will be divided among 155 papers, and only one democratic paper among them—the Riverton Review.

"The houn' dog" did not win Champ Clark the nomination for president, but the writer still keeps an image of him sitting on our desk to remind us of years ago when we knew Speaker Clark so well down in Missouri. He is a gentleman every day in the week and a democrat who will do to tie to all the time. We knew there would be no "sulking in his tent" from Champ Clark, and Woodrow Wilson will have his united support, and that means a whole lot.

It is never too hot to stand straight up for Plattsmouth.

It looks now more than ever for a harmonious convention at Grand Island.

The real progressive republicans are all joining the Wilson and Marshall ranks. Wilson seems to be progressive enough for most of them.

Wilson and Marshall appeal to the average voter as being men who can safely be trusted in the highest position in the gift of the American people.

Make up your mind to attend the democratic county convention in Plattsmouth next Saturday. Every delegate selected at the primaries should attend.

Hon. John H. Morehead pays about as much attention to those newspapers who are hired by Aldrich as he does any other common cuss that are always barking at one's heels.

The democratic political situation will settle itself along natural lines at the Grand Island convention next Tuesday, and with cool heads in the lead, we do not look for anything out of the ordinary to occur.

The chautauqua season will soon be on in good shape. By the way, why don't Plattsmouth try the chautauqua plan of entertainment? Too late for this year, but we can take plenty of time to get ready for next season.

Roosevelt, the bull moose candidate, says he will stand for no divided allegiance. He says a man must be for him or against him. Candidates cannot get their names on the republican ticket and the Bull Moose both. So you can pay your money, gentlemen, and take your choice.

August 5 is the day the "Bull Moose" party is to hold its national convention at Chicago. This will be strictly a Roosevelt event, since the sting of defeat affected the Rough Rider so that he stated a willingness to head a new party and still battle for the ballots of the people.

It seems hardly worth while to "beef" at the high cost of living, but a union should be organized to cut down funeral expenses. There may be some excuse for robbing a live one, but when it comes to fleecing the dead, a sharp halt should be called on the undertakers.

The National Association of Physicians and Surgeons is sending out a world of free advertising to the press of this country. And yet the school that train these doctors lay great stress on the violation of the "ethics of the profession" a doctor is guilty of when he runs an advertisement and pays for it.

When Chris Grunther, the man who managed Governor Harmon's campaign, and Arthur Mullen, who was manager of Champ Clark's campaign in this state, say that John Byrnes is a fine campaign manager they ought to know what they are talking about. They both have had a great deal of experience themselves on this line.

Aldrich, Clark and Norris will find out to their sorrow between now and election day that the republicans of Nebraska are not all bolters and that they are not going to quit Taft because they want them to. Taft is the regular nominee for president and honest republicans are not going to bolt him simply because a few office-hunters flew the track. Not much!

Rudolph Spreckles, San Francisco millionaire, who financed the graft prosecutions in his home

Every precinct should send a full delegation to the democratic county convention next Saturday.

It is a gross waste of time to be a Christian on the installment plan, yet there are hundreds of them trying it.

Teddy insists on having nothing to do with the republicans; He wants a party all to himself. Well, we don't object.

city and who supported the campaign of Senator La Follette for the republican nomination for president, has gone on record in favor of Woodrow Wilson for president and sent a telegram assuring the New Jersey governor of his hearty support.

Chris Guenther says that he is not seeking the chairmanship of the democratic state convention, and never did, but that he believes that John Byrnes has made as good a chairman as was ever in the state. If Tom Allen had not become so officious in sending out those circular letters there would not have been so much excitement over the chairmanship. Tom says he does not want the chairmanship, but his saying so does not bear washing with a good many democrats who have known him in the past.

The Journal believes from present indications that all bickerings and rivalries will have passed away by the time the Grand Island convention meets next week. Not in many years has there been such an opportunity for harmony and good feeling among democrats, and we believe delegates to the state convention will be selected from the level-headed class who will attend the great gathering for the sole purpose of bringing about the much desired peace and harmony, which all true democrats would like to see.

Ex-Mayor Frank W. Brown of Lincoln is a man who would make a most efficient chairman of the democratic state central committee. If a new chairman is to be elected we know of no one who would fill the bill more satisfactorily than Frank Brown. He undoubtedly possesses the executive ability and he is a hustler when it comes down to business. We don't know as to whether our friend, Brown, would accept the position or not, but we know he is always willing to do everything in his power for the success of the democratic party, even as a private citizen.

A leader in the ranks of the prohibition party says Roosevelt's party nor the republican party has any right or title to the word "progressive." According to this eminent authority, all progressiveness is wrapped up in the prohibition party. We don't understand why anyone should think so. The prohibitionists are just where they were fifty years ago and we can't see where they have progressed to any great extent as a party. They harp on prohibition till election time, and then the most of them march to the polls and vote the republican ticket.

Paul Clark is awful busy just now in fixing matters to suit him in the republican state convention at Lincoln next Tuesday. But how Paul expects to come "out of it" is hard to tell. One thing is very certain, that he will never get the Taft support in the First congressional district. If he had returned from Chicago in a quiet, inoffensive manner and awaited developments he perhaps would have fared better, but everything had to go his way—he was for Roosevelt and against Taft—Taft stole the nomination, etc. That's the way he talked. Now, how can he expect the Taft supporters to give him aid? Down this way the Taft men say, "Not on your life!"

Democratic Convention

The democrats of Cass county are called to meet in delegate convention in the city of Plattsmouth, Neb., on Saturday, July 27, 1912, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of selecting seventeen delegates to the democratic state convention to be held in Grand Island, Neb., July 30, 1912, and to transact such other business as may legally come before it.

Precinct—	Delegates
Tipton	8
Stove Creek	9
Elmwood	6
Weeping Water	2
Louisville	9
Mt. Pleasant	8
Nehawka	5
First Rock Bluffs	9
Weeping Water, 1st ward	2
Weeping Water, 2nd ward	2
Weeping Water, 3rd ward	1
Greenwood	5
Salt Creek	8
South Bend	4
Center	7
Avoca	6
Eight Mile Grove	11
Liberty	9
Second Rock Bluffs	5
Plattsmouth	11
Plattsmouth, 1st ward	7
Plattsmouth, 2nd ward	13
Plattsmouth, 3rd ward	13
Plattsmouth, 4th ward	5
Plattsmouth, 5th ward	4
Total	169

J. S. Livingston,
Chairman.

Earl R. Travis,
Secretary.

Nebraska's Indian fighters may get a pension, if Congressman Sloan can have his way about it. There is no reason why they shouldn't have.

From present indications the contest between the bull moosers and Taftites is going to be very close in Nebraska, and there will be something popping in Lincoln next Tuesday.

Governor Deneen and the balance of the republican state nominees in Illinois refuse to run up on any but the straight republican ticket. Now the Roosevelt bull moose party will place another state ticket in the field. And so it goes.

Senator Dixon, Roosevelt's campaign manager, is emphatic in his determination to have Roosevelt state candidates in Illinois, but he is also determined to have a Roosevelt state ticket in every state in the union. He says there is no monkey business in this campaign. A republican voter must show his color—Taft or Roosevelt—that's all there is to it.

Platte county republicans in convention side-stepped Aldrich and refused to endorse him because of his trying to be with both the Roosevelt and Taft forces. There will be lots more of such side-stepping before the wily governor gets through the campaign. This thing of carrying water on both shoulders never would work successfully, in politics, especially.

The newspapers who were favored by Aldrich in his distribution of the publication of the constitutional amendments, will now break their necks for him and give him all the complimentary notices at their command favorable to the governor. But support thus gotten will not avail the wily governor very much, as the readers of all those papers out in the state fully understand the proposition.

The newspapers of the country announce that Mrs. Betty Green, the richest woman in the United States (aged 78), had "gotten religion" the other day, and became a member of a New York church. How she got it was not stated, but judging from the old girl's reputation for driving hard bargains we are ready to wager that she bagged a lot about the price before she coiled the trade.

Before Roosevelt squares the nomination in Chicago August 5 he should make some reply to the charges made upon him by Senator La Follette. The senator demands that he make a showing of the source from which his enormous campaign fund came, which has the right ring to it. A barrel of money was spent by Mr. Roosevelt and his backers during the late unpleasantness and it would be of interest to know just who was making "the ghost walk" and why. The accounting of campaign funds and their disposition is one of the progressive principles in politics today and in localities is enforced by law. If Mr. Roosevelt is truly progressive, as he claims to be, why not tell us about it?

We have always admired John Byrnes, chairman of the state central committee. He has done good work during his incumbency and we believe he was ready to "step down and out" before Tom Allen sent out his circular letter. This very one act of Tom Allen has done more to raise a bitter feeling in the democratic ranks than anything that could possibly have occurred at this time, and has not only incensed Chairman Byrnes, but thousands of other democrats. The Journal has always been friendly to Tom Allen. He is a nice fellow, and so is John Byrnes. We do not believe that either wants to break up the democratic party in this state, but if either persists in their present course and their fight is taken to Grand Island, there is no telling the result. They have both been chairmen of the state committee and the Journal has stood manfully by them in their administrations, and would do so again if either is elected. For the sake of harmony and peace both should decline to further the question as to who should have charge of the campaign. They are both sensible men and we don't want to see a matter like this divide the democracy, which it surely will if persisted in. We are not for Tom Allen for chairman, neither are we for John Byrnes, but we are heartily in favor of harmony at Grand Island, which will surely bring us victory in November.

Uncertainty seems to be all over now, as it appears that nothing can prevent the fulfillment of the promise for a bumper crop.

The world is divided into just two classes. The one that worries because it has too little money and the other that it has too much.

We hope to see every particle of soreness that has existed within the ranks of the democratic party of Nebraska in the past two years partially healed before the assembling of the state convention at Grand Island next Tuesday. All animosities can be thrown to the four winds if every delegate who attends will only make up their minds to do the right thing.

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