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TOO MUCH BOSSISM.

The best way for democrats to secure harmonious action, so that in the approaching state election results may be obtained that will be construable as an indorsement of the administration, is to treat each other fairly and avoid the taking of unfair advantage.

It is useless to deny that there are two well-defined factions in the Nebraska democracy and that they are aggressive in seeking to obtain advantage of each other. If each is determined to have everything its own way in the control of the party machinery and the conduct of the party conventions, it is going to be very easy to get up a fight that will dissipate any chance the democrats may have of carrying the state and securing an indorsement of the national administration.

If democrats are to be expected to vote the party ticket and help express approval of the national administration they must not be continually confronted and given to understand that they are not, for factional reasons, recognized as members of the party which they have followed and sustained all of their lives.

There has been a species of ostracism in operation in the democratic party in this state for some time which does not promise well for the party. Men who have been recognized all of their lives as members of the party of Jefferson and Jackson, of Cleveland and Bryan, are constantly being told that they are not recognized as democrats now. It is unreasonable to expect that under such circumstances they will exert themselves to secure an indorsement of the national administration. If the provocation is sufficient, they may even be exasperated into throwing their strength against such an indorsement.

Any democratic leadership that does not recognize existing conditions in this regard is worse than unwise. Every unfair advantage exercised by one faction against the other simply makes more difficult the reconciliation that must come before the democrats of Nebraska can hope to work in harmony for an indorsement of the national administration and the election of the state ticket.

It would be very easy for the hitherto hostile democrats in Nebraska to get together. The voting masses of the democracy are anxious for a resoration of harmony. They want to see the national administration indorsed because they believe it has been a good administration and ought to be indorsed. They would like to see the democrats present a united front in the fight for the control of this state.

All that stands in the way of democratic harmony are the personal ambitions of a few leaders and their determination to brook no opposition by their rivals for party supremacy.

If the vote of Nebraska should be anything else than an indorsement of the national administration the fault will be upon these implacable leaders. At the recent meeting of the state committee the representatives of one of the factions offered concessions in the face of unyielding opposition. It was a hopeful sign, but it will be unavailing if the leaders of the other faction maintain their uncompromising attitude.

Under existing political conditions it will be almost a political crime for the democrats of Nebraska to lose the state. Unless

there is a spirit of reconciliation disclosed they stand a mighty good chance to do it. And if they do it, those responsible for that failure cannot escape blame for it.—Lincoln State Journal.

Go to Elmwood to celebrate tomorrow. A good time assured to all.

The Kansas wheat crop is estimated at sixty million bushels ahead of any previous wheat crop. Poor old Kansas hits it once in a while, and when she does, she hits hard.

There is one democratic candidate for a state office, who, if one-half is true that is reported of him, should not be allowed to humiliate the honest and sincere democrats by a place on the ticket. He is not worthy of support.

Villa purchased a bathtub in Chicago for which he paid \$450, upon which it cost him \$120 freight. It doesn't look like the Mexicans were hard up. But who ever thought of Mexicans of the Villa stripe taking baths, anyway.

There is a way to harmonize the democratic party of Nebraska, but it can't be done by those who think they are "in the saddle" and with a farrier attempt to pull in the serfs like so many cattle. Oh, no! It must be done by one element considering the other element just as good as they are, and entitled to just as much respect in the councils of the party. The democratic masses will not submit to bossism any longer. They have had enough of this. If we are a party of the people, let it be ruled by the common masses, and not by the few who have been trying to control the whole business. Right is right, and wrong is wrong.

The Breeders' Gazette has found in Stark county, Illinois, a man who does not differ from other intelligent farmers of the corn belt, save in a few notable particulars. He is a man of ideals and of determination. He has vision and likes his fellowman well enough to help him. Thus Fred Winan becomes a leader in his community. Appreciating a good highway, he drags in front of his farm and keeps it like a boulevard. Now he has been given charge of a section of his county's roads and he keeps them smooth. Life is made safe and pleasanter for all that region because of the work. The cost of moving corn to town has been noticeably decreased. Right well do the neighbors appreciate this service. High ideals that lead to unselfish devotion to public welfare with sustained purpose can do much to enrich a region.

MR. WANAMAKER'S OPINION.

John Wanamaker has had his critics, but nobody has ever charged him with a want of ability in grasping all of the elements of a complicated problem and realizing their comparative proportions in reaching a decision. When he went on record, the other day, in saying that the Rockefeller's made a mistake in their failure to recognize labor unions in their Colorado mines, and that business interests, anywhere, which take the same course, make an equal mistake, he voiced an opinion which is doubtless held by many intelligent business men, who, without any particular sympathy with unionism, realize that it has come to stay, unless it destroys itself, and that it is the policy of wisdom to recognize the fact.

This is far from saying that the governor of Colorado was not remiss in his duty in not affording swift protection to the Colorado mine owners in exercising their legal right to refuse such a recognition. It is not saying that the president was wrong in sending federal troops into the state to restore order after the governor's weakness had invited con-

ditions approaching a state of warfare. It is only saying that since so many great business concerns, in all lines of commercial activity, now recognize unionism in dealing with their employes, it can no longer, with public safety, or a right solicitude for public interests, be regarded as ephemeral or treated as negligible.

With all of the railways, all of the great industrial concerns, all of the great newspapers and all of the leaders of activity in the country recognizing unionism, individuals and corporations which refuse simple recognition of the right to organize and to be dealt with in its organized capacity, make the mistake of increasing a dangerous friction. Strikes and lockouts will continue to occur, but they should be as to terms and not as to the principle of recognition, and farther than that principle may be incidentally involved in the terms. In Colorado, after the company had conceded all the terms demanded, it invited murderous lawlessness by refusing the union a right to organize in its mining towns. Mr. Wanamaker is entirely right in calling this a mistake. It is a mistake from the company's own point of view, since the policy has proved very unprofitable. Had it been profitable, the policy would still be a mistake from the wider point of view of the public interest and safety. But the responsibility is no less upon unionism than upon capital. Unionism, to be entitled to recognition as a permanent economic force, must be entitled to such recognition as an intelligent, humane and not wholly selfish force. That is undoubtedly Mr. Wanamaker's meaning. It is the only justification of his opinion.

THE SERPENT TONGUE.

It is a curious phase that leads some people to indulge in slander and gossip. The little town of Ypsilanti, Mich., has been disturbed for a long time by some mysterious person who wrote letters in a disguised hand to men telling them that their wives were sustaining illicit relations with other men and the women that their husbands were untrue to them. These letters always gave exact dates and related circumstantial accounts of alleged impropriety. Parents were told of the improper conduct of their daughters. The result was the breaking up of a number of families, the filing of divorce suits until the tongue of scandal was busy and almost every person of any prominence in the little town, of both sexes, was assailed. Suspicion fastened on a prominent business man and when he was publicly accused of it, it made him so angry that he began a systematic search for the real author. He made up his mind that it was the work of a woman and he finally fastened the guilt upon a Mrs. Margaret McCreedy, formerly Miss Margaret Harper. She was a lady prominent in social circles, possessed of considerable literary ability, but the evidence pointed so unmistakably to her that she has been indicted by the grand jury "for mailing obscene, lewd and lascivious letters" and has been held to the grand jury. It does not appear that she was actuated by a spirit of revenge, but rather took delight in stirring up trouble and involving her friends and acquaintances in scandal, and sowing dissensions and strife in the community. There are some people who delight in dabbling in filth, and who are perpetually circulating evil tales, gossiping, whispering and insinuating and, like the dungoon toad, seeming to fatten upon the poison which they exude. Has Plattsmouth one of these cipers? We hope not.

Two Sundays right together is too much for anyone.

The whole push—Huerta, Carranza and Villa—must get out if peace is obtained.

"Too many operations are performed without justifiable cause," says Dr. Charles H. Mayo, of Rochester, Minn. And it is suspected that the Mayos ought to know.

Some fellow has suggested that the state publish a pamphlet showing the good and bad points of political candidates. We know some who are running for state offices who would not show up very well, if the truth was told.

Carranza's friends declare that Villa is "drunk with ambition." And Huerta is known to be pickled with brandy and caelus juice. Apparently Carranza imagines he is "the only sober one in the crowd"—which is also a bad symptom.

TWO KINDS OF PATRIOTISM.

We must have been a very patriotic nation a few years ago. We were so thoroughly imbued with love of country that when the Fourth of July came along we just unlearned all the loyalty and enthusiasm that had been bottled up for twelve months. We got up early in the morning and shot off cannon crackers under our sleepy neighbor's window. We spent hours in a fusillade that filled every city street with a rattle as of musketry and an intolerable stench of burnt powder. We helped the children fire toy pistols, and aided and abetted the use of detonating canes that exploded on the sidewalk and made the unwary pedestrian jump half way across the street. All day long it was boom-boom-boom and crack-crack-crack, until ears were deafened and nervous systems wrecked. Oh, we had a lovely time on the Glorious Fourth. The excitement never waned for a minute. First little Willie would blow off his thumb with a toy cannon, then little Jimmy would hold a cannon cracker between his teeth until there weren't any teeth left, then little Jane would come running in with a hand bleeding from a toy pistol explosion, then a runaway horse would go tearing down the street, and the ambulance would rush along with the gong sounding madly, and the fire department would come roaring up to put out a dozen fires at once. At night there were gorgeous fireworks on every lawn and in every vacant lot, with the same patriotic rush of ambulances and fire engines, and cannonading and accidents and conflagrations lasting far into the night. Next day the papers would print the battle news. It was thrilling. In 1908 we learned that 163 persons had been killed and 5,460 injured (most of them children). The next year there were not quite so many hurt—a mere 5,092—but the fatalities ran up to 245. In seven years 33,900 patriots were killed or maimed. And then all at once we began to look upon such slaughter as foolish and wicked. We began to legislate against the deadly cannon cracker and toy pistol and all their vicious ilk. We organized municipal celebrations where beautiful fireworks were set off at night, harmlessly in the public parks, to the inspiring music of bands and orchestras. Instead of juvenile cannonades we had addresses by public men. Instead of stirring up the hospitals and fire departments, we packed a family lunch basket and went to the park or the country. The Fourth of July is now a day of peace, rest and recreation, of pleasant and dignified celebration, in nearly every American city. And maybe, after all, we're just as patriotic as we used to be.

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It is hard for people to do the best they can when they know that those about them will be satisfied with the poorest they can do.

Twenty-four divorcees were granted in Lancaster county during the month of June.

It's strange, isn't it, that all the trust scandals have been charged to J. Pierpont Morgan—since his death?

Democratic hard-times item: Every bank in the United States, and many of the larger mercantile establishments, were obliged to close their doors last Saturday.

Between Moyer and the I. W. W. the state of Montana is not likely to find it a dull summer.

Governor Morehead delivered the Fourth of July oration at Pender, and from one who heard it, said it was a splendid address.

It must prove Ty Cobb when he thinks how much meat he could have purchased for the \$50 he paid for punching the butcher.

Nature should have provided the potato bug with a "horn" so that pedestrians could dodge him the same as they do the automobile.

The promoters of the music trust are said to be working in "harmony." If this be true, it is safe to guess that none of them are members of church choirs.



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