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JUDGE WOODROUGH.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

"So long as we love, we serve; so long as we are loved by others, I would almost say we are indispensable; and no man is useless while he has a friend." —Robert Louis Stevenson.

"Down with ring rule" is our motto.

Onward, right onward, to Mexico.

The riders are up and ready for the fray.

Ring rule won't work any more in Cass county.

Some men are on both tickets that ought not to be there.

Even the pacifists in congress think that Villa has gone entirely too far.

There are a good many people who would rather keep Lent than keep a secret.

It won't belong till the kids can go swimming, "but don't go near the river."

Filing time will be up next Saturday, and if you want to get "in the shuffle" you had better file now while the filing is good.

Radcliffe college girls are to play baseball, which disposes of the idea that women are not capable of the classical education.

Bread in many places is now sold by weight. Mrs. Newly Wed should be able to make a big profit by selling some of her muffins.

The candidates are entering upon their last lap now. In a few days the limit for entering will expire and then comes the final tug of war.

One way of getting your name in the paper was taken by a Philadelphia citizen, who reported to the gas company that his meter was running too slow.

It is reassuring to learn that Mr. Bryan approves the pursuive expedition into Mexico. For a moment it had been feared that he might withhold his consent.

Tearful parents who fear their boys will never get on the college "varsity team" may be consoled by the chance of getting some consolation prize like the class valedictory.

We have been asked to express indignation at the alleged action of Germany in putting to death the author of a peace poem. We can't; we haven't seen the poem.

We have always entertained the idea that where an official has given satisfaction for the first term, he should be retained for at least one more term. But the voters can decide that matter.

General Carranza has failed to sanction the action of the United States in undertaking the capture of Villa under the order, "Villa, dead or alive." Carranza, it is believed, wishes to strike out the words, "or alive."

Some men cannot take a hint without being knocked down. That is the way with some fellows who want to run for office, when the people don't want them. This kind of a hint comes after the election, when they are compelled to take a back seat by the common consent of the people.

DISGUSTED REPUBLICANS.

Evidences are multiplying that Nebraska republicans, especially those favoring prohibition, are dissatisfied with the gubernatorial timber offered them in the primaries. Following the enforced retirement of Mr. Pollard, at the behest of the Anti-Saloon league, the Aurora Republican, one of the strongest weeklies in the state favoring the prohibitory amendment, indulged in some excessively plain speaking. Among other things it said:

"Speaking for itself solely, and not as the representative of any candidate, the Aurora Republican would like to see a showdown on this Anti-Saloon league business. Carson, Garrison and Co. may control enough votes to change the results in a close election where they are considered and treated as friends, but we seriously question whether they can defeat a candidate for read overseer if compelled to fight in the open. There is excellent reason to believe that the officers of the Anti-Saloon league do not want the state to go dry, for they know that under such a condition their occupation, like that of Othello, would be gone. They are simply serving the devil in the stolen livery of heaven."

In all that has been said, or may be said, the Republican stands squarely and unswervingly for the prohibition amendment. Other things being equal it will prefer candidates who are in sympathy with the amendment to those who are opposed. But it would rather help elect a governor who, though conscientiously opposed to the amendment, might be depended upon to enforce it honestly after passage, than a weak-kneed demagogue whose chief interest in prohibition rests upon its usefulness as republican trading stock. We are, in short, tired of seeing the people hoodwinked by cheap-john politicians of unlimited lung power on reform issues.

"If Ernest Pollard's experience shall result in the emancipation of the republican party from a little coterie of cranks, four-flushers and professional anti-saloon agitators who have too long been permitted to impose upon its good nature, he will not have suffered in vain."

As to the Anti-Saloon league's preferred republican candidate the Aurora Republican expressed itself in this fashion:

"There are reasons which many republicans consider good and sufficient why Judge Sutton should not be elected governor of Nebraska. Chief of these is a well defined suspicion that he is simply using the prohibition amendment as a stepping-stone to office and that, at heart, he is no more interested in its passage than Pollard, McKelvie or any of the other so-called dry candidates. He is scarcely known outside his own judicial district, he has no record as an active partisan, and the fact that he is sponsored by men of the Harrison type is not calculated to inspire confidence among republicans who remember the Howell fiasco of 1914 which was engineered by Harrison."

This talking out in meeting has plainly struck a responsive chord in the hearts of other republican editors, both dry and liberal.

The Hastings Tribune says:

"The Aurora Republican has the situation sized up correctly, and it now behoves the loyal republicans of Nebraska to put their stamp of disapproval upon the coarse work done by the slippery "Big Four" wire-pullers and political prestidigitators."

The Crawford Courier, declaring that Sutton is being foisted upon the republican party by a democrat who is for Charley Bryan for governor, asks: "Are the Bryans trying to run both parties?"

The Scottsbluff Republican declares that Pollard's withdrawal "was not done to secure the election of a republican governor, but rather in the interest of Charley Bryan. Not that Pollard was into the scheme, but that move was engineered by the worst bunch of cut-throat politicians that the state has been dealing with for years."

The York Republican, a very influential republican weekly, talks turkey in this fashion:

"Who did this thing to Ernest Pollard and his friends? Nobody but a scheming democrat, who seeks, under the guise of temperance, to control the nominations of both political parties, and who is himself working hand-in-glove with Mayor Dahlman for the nomination and election of a democrat. He has selected, for the republicans to pit against his chosen candidate, Judge Sutton of Omaha. Now, in his selection he has shown the wisdom of the serpent and the nerve of the mosquito. Any man who knows the a, b, c's of politics knows that if nominated Judge Sutton would be buried under an avalanche of votes,

in his own town that he would not be able to wiggle from under in a year and day, and children know that a man who cannot carry his own town has a slim chance of carrying another man's town, or of winning an election.

"As has been said in these columns, we do not want a governor to settle the prohibition question for us. We, the people, are going to settle that at the same time we elect a governor for other purposes. Mr. Carson is making a monkey of us all and a farce of the gubernatorial election, by getting us to thinking there is nothing for a governor to do but settle the prohibition question."

And so it is the boys are talking all over the state. Meanwhile an earnest effort is being made, by republicans satisfied with the caliber and attainments of none of their candidates, to get some man of new parts like Ross Hammond of Fremont or Senator Kemp of Fullerton into the field.

What a great difference in city election campaigns at the present time and eight and ten years ago! And we live just as happily, and perhaps prosper better.

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Who can remember the old days when the county superintendents in Nebraska were all men? Now they are about all women.

A Des Moines plumber who solicits leap year proposals, says modestly that he makes \$4,000 a year. How long has this thing been of settling plumbers' bills for 50 cents on the dollar?

Governor Morehead's friends are bound to shove him into the race for the nomination of vice president. If the governor wants to do something beneficial to his party, he should consent to again accept the nomination for governor.

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Let congress "speed up" on preparedness.

Senator Cummins carries Minnesota in the primaries.

Are we to have any band concerts this summer? If not, why not?

Winter will remain in the lap of spring just as long as Old Sol says so.

Fred Funston is the boy who will tie the can onto the cutthroat Mexican.

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A frivilous paragraph remarks that Mr. Edison's concrete furniture will be difficult to abstract.

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It is threatened that on account of the war shoes will be higher. We hardly understand how women's shoes can be much higher. Most of them are upwards of two feet now.

The ten-dollar price of hogs in the market acts as a good stimulus to the price of pure-bred swine being offered at the numerous public sales throughout the state. In many instances these prices run above one hundred dollars.

D. W. Livingston of Nebraska City is being urged to come out for congress. Dan Livingston is an able man, and if nominated and elected would prove the right man for the place. He is a good speaker and very able lawyer.

Mexicans who played traitor will feel the inexorable Mexican justice," declares Carranza. If it is the sort of justice Villa has been feeling, any Mexican who can be indiscreet enough to be a traitor deserves all the sympathy in the world.

It costs \$25,000 a year to hire a flat in some New York apartment houses. If any readers have any garments to donate to the worthy poor, this newspaper will forward them to these people who are suffering from a high cost of living.

The spectacle of Mr. Bryan accusing the president of having gone "joyriding with the jingoes," and insisting in the same breath that their relations continue cordial, reminds one of the Biblical character who approached his victim asking, "Art thou in good health, my brother?"

The death of Senator B. F. Shively of Indiana removes one of the most prominent figures in the political history of the country. The writer has known Senator Shively since 1884, and always regarded him as one of the ablest men in the country, and in oratory a peer of the late lamented Daniel W. Voorhies.

In these days of prosperity and plenty everything seems to be advancing in price. Print paper has taken another leap skyward and so has other commodities. Farm machinery has been advanced 10 per cent and lumber has taken on an advance and before another year rolls around farmers will be compelled to pay from \$2 to \$3 per day for help, is the prediction of some of the wise men.

Some of the republican papers want Ross Hammond to run for governor or United States senator. Ross is a little slow about getting in the game, maybe from the fact that he held the best paying office in the state for a number of years. And it isn't healthy to hold office too long. But there are people who think the world owes them a living, and if they are too lazy to work and don't want to run the risk of stealing, they insist on sticking to the office proposition.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For County Treasurer.

I desire to announce my candidacy for the office of county treasurer on the republican ticket, subject to the wishes of the voters at the primaries April 18th. I will appreciate the votes of my friends.

ARTHUR L. BAKER.

The ice man is arranging for his innning.

Why, of course, for the poor man, warm weather is the best substitute for coal.

The Commoner office slate for national delegates has been filed in the secretary of state's office.

Honest confession, said to be so good for the soul, frequently is mighty hard on the other fellow.

AN old bachelor broadly rules that the girl who doesn't try to conceal her age is too young to enter society.

If you didn't dream of inheriting \$80,000 from an unexpected relative last night, perhaps you will tonight.

The newly appointed federal judge for Nebraska, J. W. Woodrough, organized the first Wilson club in Omaha in 1912.

Lincoln national bank deposits show a gain over one year ago of nearly two and one-half millions. That doesn't look much like hard times, does it?

We try to keep abreast of all the startling disclosures of science. A scientist has just revealed that the Panama canal will never be swallowed up by an earthquake.

MAJOR A. HALL.

We can see no reason for opposing Vice President Tom Marshall for a re-nomination if he wants it. If President Wilson is endorsed unanimously, why not Tom Marshall? Tell us, if you can.

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