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ONE DOLLAR THE YEAR





Judge Hamer is another gentleman greatly beloved because of the enemies he has made.

President Taft's swing around the circle will probably be known in history as "the great explanation and apology tour."

Speaker Clarke says the president finds himself in a pickle. Somehow or other the word pickle reminds us of Bryan. What?

If you know of a calamity howler close to hand, grab him and walk him all around the exhibits at the state fair. If he still howls calamity, shoot him on the spot.

The office of railway commissioner is really the most important in Nebraska. But no one would suspect it after reading the summaries of the vote at the recent primaries.

What tickles us is to see so staunch a democrat as Chris Greunther of Platte county walking away with a republican nomination. And they told us it was a "closed primary."

While an ardent advocate of municipal ownership Will Maupin's Weekly is frank to admit that there would be "helapopin" if a private corporation was giving Lincoln the service now given by the municipal water plant.

After springing the "what is whisky" and "what is beer" interrogations on us, the pure food department of our august government now springs this one: "What is a maraschino cherry?" Heavens! Do the astute pure foodists take us for a nation of drink experts?

This newspaper is not at all proud of the fact that it was a Lincoln lawyer who opposed recommending a uniform law prohibiting the employment of children under fourteen years of age during the school year. It is proud of the fact that it was a Nebraska lawyer whose advocacy of such a law prevailed at the uniform laws congress held recently in Boston. Ralph Breckenridge of Omaha was the lawyer who advocated such an inhibition. We have forgotten the name of the Lincoln lawyer who opposed it.

The duty of Nebraska is to bring to the state progressive farmers to till the 15,000,000 acres of productive but idle land.

President Taft's veto of the wool bill not increase the 1912 clip from hydraulic rams.

It is not difficult to see that some of Judge Frost's friends are doing a lot more whining about the result of the primary than Judge Frost is doing.

Since the Lincoln city council unanimously turned down the acting mayor, Dr. Leonhardt, we have raised the doctor several degrees in our estimation.

Judge Hostettler of Kearney would confer a favor upon a number of political aspirants by pausing in his campaign long enough to tell them how he does it.

Nebraska's corn crop may be a little short this year, but bear in mind that it could not be purchased with all the gold dug from the mines of the United States this year.

Upwards of 40,000 Nebraskans participated in the recent state primary. Does anyone imagine that so many voters would have attended caucuses and county conventions?

Col. John Maher declares that Clarence Harman won out in the primaries because so many voters thought they were voting for Harmon of Ohio. The colonel's joke is rather a caustic comment on the intelligence of his party associates.

THE LINCOLN AD CLUB.

The first meeting of the Lincoln Ad Club since the Boston convention in July was held at the Lindell Tuesday evening. Some interesting reports of the trip and convention were made by delegates who attended. There were enough Boston newspapers in evidence to demonstrate that the Nebraska delegation was about the livest bunch of boosters in attendance upon the convention. Every edition of the Boston dailies had much to say of the Nebraskans, and there were cartoons in plenty. The Ad Club quartet sprung a lot of booster songs everywhere they went, and from the time the delegation reached Boston until it left the members kept Nebraska to the fore.

From Chicago east the country was snowed with literature advertising Nebraska. The "Booster Edition" of Will Maupin's Weekly was used to splendid advantage. The sight of a farmer driving towards the railroad was enough to start things. A delegate would grab up a prepared copy of the Weekly, make signs to the approaching farmer and then

drop the copy at the crossing. In every instance the farmer stopped and picked it up. Every hour or two delegates would pass through the train and hand out copies, and at every stopping place more were distributed. The handsome edition received many compliments all along the line.

Five thousand little bells inscribed with the words, "Ring for Nebraska," were distributed en route and in Boston. A bunch of delegates attended a ball game between Boston and Detroit and nearly precipitated a riot by distributing 500 bells. The great crowd swarmed down on the delegates to get bells, and it took fourteen policemen to keep the Nebraskans from being crushed. And when Boston won the game there was some ringing.

Nebraska was honored by having S. R. McKelvie of Lincoln made president of the northwest section, thereby making him a vice-president of the Associated Advertising Clubs of North America. That Boston entertained the convention in royal style is the unanimous verdict, and that Nebraska received an immense amount of publicity thereat is already manifest.

DEATH OF JUDGE COBBEY.

The death of J. E. Cobbey of Beatrice, coming so soon after the primaries in which he was an unsuccessful candidate for the republican nomination for the supreme bench, was a distinct shock to Nebraskans. His illness was of short duration. Judge Cobbey was known in legal circles throughout the nation. So well established was his reputation that he was selected by New Mexico to prepare the code for that new state. For years he edited the statutes of Nebraska and published them under authority of the state. He was a devoted Christian gentleman, an ideal husband and father and a citizen whose standing was above reproach. No movement for the public good was without his ardent support, and he gave freely of his time and ability when called upon to act for the best interests of his community and his state. Nebraska has suffered a distinct loss in the death of this distinguished jurist.

THEIR OWN PETARD.

Englishmen who sought to embarrass the labor unions by preventing them from paying salaries to their parliamentary representatives, have been hoist by their own petard. Heretofore members of the house of commons have been without salary. When the laborites elected members they proceeded to pay them out of union funds. Action was brought to declare this illegal, and was successful. But it did not deter the laborites. They have merely succeeded in securing for all members of the house of commons a yearly salary of \$2,000. Thus the effort to retard the onward march of democracy has merely accelerated the pace.