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#### GOING TO BAT AT CLEVELAND.

Word that comes from the convention at Cleveland indicates that the republican party is the hope of the people yet. Preliminaries prove that extremists of either side will have to take a back seat. Neither the east nor the west is to control, but the interests of one great, united, harmonious country will rule. Calvin Coolidge is hailed as the true representative of this spirit, and whoever is selected to be the candidate for vice president will fairly match with him as a champion of no special interest or section, but a man who can be presented by a party that knows only the good of all the people of the United States.

Certain names that have been big in conventions of the party in the past will not be heard so frequently in this. Here is no sign that the republican party is abandoning its anchorage, merely a proof that the passage of time brings with it changes. New conditions are to be dealt with, and the bringing to the front of new men as leaders is but a recognition of the orderly, evolutionary progress that must mark the course of a responsible political party. Proud as republicans are of their past, they can not live in the days that are gone. The party record is presented as a guaranty for the future, but the active principles of government move forward.

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A forecast of the platform is interesting. Its outline does not sustain the predictions that it would be reactionary, or radical, or that it would ignore vital questions. Nor is it conservative solely for the sake of safety. Problems that are paramount in their importance are to be met with a positive declaration of party policy, the intention to deal with them squarely and solve them in a way that will be for the good of the nation. Cost of government is given foremost position, and on this the record of achievement actually made in the way of reducing expenses and lowering taxes is presented as proof of promise redeemed and an earnest of the pledge made to continue the work.

The World Court will be approved, but not the

on even terms in the world market. He has the benefit of a protective tariff that keeps the Canadian out of Nebraska's home market. That much the government has done for him under republican protective laws. If the democrats get the chance, this protection will be withdrawn, and the wheat of the United States will not only be compelled to meet Canadian wheat in the markets of the world, but right at home.

How will it help anyone to pull another down? The republican policy is to build up, the democratic plan is to destroy what the republicans have done.

### WHO FOR SECOND PLACE?

Above all other proposals to come before the Cleveland convention looms the choice of a vice presidential candidate. Mr. Coolidge, to whom the first place on the ticket is now assured, has said that the nominee for vice president must be a man who may assume the duties of president if called upon. One in whom the people will have full confidence, and whose ability will not be questioned.

Many names have been mentioned in connection with the honor, none of the suggested nominees having voiced any especial desire for the job. The office of vice president, however, is given additional significance by a peculiar turn which is getting close attention. If, through the entrance of a third party, the election to be held in November fails to give a majority of the electoral vote to any candidate, then the election will be thrown into the house.

As at present constituted, the possibility of an election by the house is remote. Each state has one vote, and a majority of all is needed for election. The political complexion of the house by states is 23 republican, 20 democratic, and 5 evenly divided. Failing in the house, the election will go to the senate, where a vice president can be chosen by a majority of the senate, although the candidates are limited to the two who receive the highest number of votes in the electoral college, and the candidate also must be eligible to the office of president. On his election as vice president by the senate, he becomes president.

While the issue may not come to this point, the convention will surely take note of the fact, and give it due weight in all consideration of candidates. Republicans are looking ahead to an unquestioned victory in the fall. Democrats and third party promoters are planning on throwing the election into congress. This phase of the campaign holds a little more than passing interest, and would be of deep significance if the third party movement showed any outward signs of real strength.

As it stands, the situation serves to add dignity to the office of vice president, and may open the way to its development to that place in the machinery of the government which Washington believed it was designed to fill. A vice president as something more than a presiding officer of the senate was the thought of the fathers, although it has never been carried to its full meaning.

## A STAKE FOR THE DAYS TO COME.

A convention of more than usual importance has just closed at Lincoln. It did not get much space in the news colums, for it has no spell-binding orators or gifted press agents to trumpet its doings. Despite this modesty, it was one of the most important gatherings ever assembled in Nebraska. Several hundred boys and girls met as guests of the college of agriculture of the University of Nebraska. They were winners among the many clubs that are fostered by the agricultural extension bureau. On the merits of their work as producers



from which their conduct emanated.

# A Straight Tip.

The Omaha Bee: In a recent editorial concerning the two young men in Chi-cago and their appalling crimes, you confessed bewilderment and entire lack of ability or basis on which to ac-count for such actions and in the immediate actors alone en-tirely, but in the general state of mind and heart among people with whom on they came in close contact. The atheistic teachings of the colleges and universities where their studies were pursued are entitled to a pursue here not in the immediate actors alone en-A young sport who answered an advertisement offering to send some tips in the horses, received for his dollar a card with this advice on it: Horses to follow-Hearse horses. Horses to back-Hobby horses. Horses to put something on-Saw

stance admitted that you were in an absolute mental and moral blind alley. There need be no such mystery



#### AMBITION.

I do not want a fortune great: do not seek the cares of state. With all their glitter and their glare, And wily schemes afloat in air. I do not yearn for power or place; Nor would I take part in the race For gold—I only ask that I May sow good will while passing by; And that when I am laid below The cool, green sod where daisies blow, Some one will pause a bit, and then Declare: "He helped his fellowmen.

I do not covet mansions grand. Nor acres broad on every hand. I do not yearn for jewels bright To dazzle some poor neighbor's sight. do not yearn to take command And order men on every handonly ask that I may go Along the road where roses grow, And dying, have men pause and say: 'He scattered sunshine all the way.'

Let others dig and delve for gold; Let others place of power hold. Let others with a lordly air Stand forth within the limelight's glare. Let others trade on hopes and fears And profit by the sobs and tears Of those they wreck. I only ask The strength to do each daily task, Then homeward go with heart elate And greet my loved ones at the gate. When dead, to have men pause a while And say: "He gave the world a smile.

There may not be much excitement at Cleveland this week. but the delegates from Nebraska will be spared one sad experience that was ours at a certain national convention in Chi cago. We are still sore, mentally and physially. On that particular occasion we paid \$2 for the privilege of rolling our coat up for a pillow and sleeping five hours on a billiard table.

We can not forbear pulling the ancient wheeze about the gentleman who does not know what kind of summers we have in Omaha, owing to the fact that he has been here only a little more than eleven months,

We are in receipt of a "complimentary copy" of a new campaign song. The most striking thing about it is the fact that it is copyrighted. We are still wondering why.

Just let a baby's picture appear upon the screen, and every-body chuckles at it, and you feel a wave of sympathy and debody chuckles at it, and you feel a wave of sympathy and de-light sweep over the audience. But just let a baby in arms down front give voice to a wall or two, and the wave that speedily spreads over that audience is neither sympathy nor delight. And usually the most violent protest against the wall-ing baby is voiced by the fellow just behind us who persists in reading the titles aloud. WILL M. MAUPIN.



League of Nations. To the veterans again the party gives assurance of sympathetic interest and determination to guard them in all their rights, especially those who have suffered in the service of their country. For industry and commerce, the record of the party is clear enough. Extension of export trade, with full protection of the home market, is the plan.

Farmers are pledged the fullest possible assistance from the administration. In this connection the anticipated democratic sneer may be met by pointing to the heroic figure of Key Pittman, standing immovable in the path of an appropriation for the benefit of the farmers. He typifies the attitude of the democrats in the last congress when it came to doing anything for agriculture.

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All the way along the line the republicans have shown a determination to squarely meet the opposttion. Instead of a disorganized congeries of groups of disgruntled politicians gathering to wrangle over points of personal or factional difference, the convention shows a united purpose. Counsel will be taken, and will prevail, and it will not be the counsel of expediency. Those who looked for and even predicted the break-up of the party at Cleveland will be disappointed. That much is made certain from the first day's session of the convention.

# WHO FREE TRADE WILL HIT.

All through the discussion of agricultural conditions in the United States the democrats have woven a thread of their traditional policy of free trade. Beginning with the world market, they have worked around until now they are openly attacking the established industries of the home land. They want permission to trade farm products of the United States for factory products of Europe, the transaction to be carried on through the federal government, and all European articles so traded in to be admitted duty free.

The admitted effect of this, indeed, its avowed purpose, is to force down the selling price of homemade wares. Unless this can be done, there is nothing to be accomplished by the proposed plan. The idea, then, is to close factories and workshops in the United States that those of Europe may prosper. In order to compete, working conditions in the United States must be brought to a level with those of Europe. One illustration has the picture of trading ten bushels of wheat for a suit of clothes in England: An appropriate background for this would be the more than 4,000,000 idle British workmen, who are drawing the dole, or unemployment pay given by the government at the expense of the taxpayer.

If such a situation be desired in the United States. it may very easily be accomplished. Just restore the democrats to power, let them manipulate the tariff laws as they did under Wilson, or under Cleveland, and the souphouse and the bread line will come back at once. Men who can remember the 90s, or even 1914, need not be told about this.

Yet that is what the democratic leaders are working for. They have persistently asserted that the world market is closed to the farmer, when as a matter of fact the agricultural exports from the United States are in excess of any prewar total. The farmer is called upon to face keener and more difficult competition than ever. Canada has a potential wheat production of 400,000,000 bushels more than before the war. This wheat is grown in virgin soil, at a cost far below that in the United States. The Nebraska wheat raiser can not meet the Canadian

of livestock, grain, vegetables or fruits they were adjudged deserving of a trip to the State farm, to be shown all that could be explained to them in a few short days.

This is the most practical form of assistance to agriculture. When a boy or a girl takes a pig or a calf, or a brood of chickens, or any other beginning thing in agriculture, and carries it through all the steps of growth and maturity, and wins a prize in open competition, it is an achievement worth noticing. Prizes won in athletic competitions. in sports or games, for music, art, literature, or any other of the many forms of endeavor that engender competition, are all sources of pride for they stand for achievement. But above these should be set the prize that is won in the eminently practical, but

no less skillful competition in the way of producing food.

The boy or girl who wins a prize in such competition is an asset to a state which depends on agriculture. Processes of farming are progressive, and it is through such comparisons that they are advanced. Each of the successful ones who were at Lincoln deserves the honors so well won and so worthily borne. They are indeed a stake for days to come in Nebraska.

It took four of Omaha's biggest churches to hold the graduating high school students for the regular commencement sermons. That ought to give you an idea of what is going on in the way of education.

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Canada is now interested in a machine to destroy grasshoppers. Such a device might have found ready sale in Nebraska half a century ago.

The independence of the American co-ed arouses the admiration of a visiting professor from England. He hasn't seen nothing yet.

When W. J. B. arises to address the convention he will be listened to by a very synthetic audience.

Secretary Wilbur of the Navy department may be a sea dog, but he takes to aviation like a bird.

Elmer Thomas having twice as much money may reasonably be expected to do twice as good work.

South Dakota delegates are conscientious, if nothing else.

Al Smith believes in the Volstead act with reservations.

Homespun Verse

-By Omaha's Own Poet-

**Robert Worthington Davie** 

REALLY!

But girls, the paint won't get you

Not on your life!

Where is the man who'd let you

Become his lovely wife?

Today I grant, dear sisters,

True thrift is in its prime; The hands of men wear blisters

From toiling all the time.

And men are looking, kiddles,

And thinking oft of widows

Ungainly paint and polish Cause men to ponder deep:--

Re prudent, I beseech you:

For maidens, plain and neat,

Such things they would abolish,

Be as God made you-then,

How swiftly Time will teach you

The standard's sought by men.

Whose past has proved them sweet.

Such thoughts perturb their sleep.

A man.

count for such account of such account of their ungodly with the young the stance admitted that you were in an absolute mental and moral blind alley. There need be no such mystery whatever relative thereto if we will return to the truth, from which the present generation has so utterly and terribly erred, and which fact and condition so generally prevailing is condition so generally prevailing is the boly and after that have the boly and after that have the set of the truth and the set of the boly and after that have the set of the truth of the set of the boly and after that have the set of the set no doubt to a large degree responsi-ble for the whole fearful record of evil and tragedy. The devil—the evil one—is the source, inspiration and cause for the

Due to the Devil.

The devil—the evil one—is the source, inspiration and cause for the acts of these young men. Present day thought and teaching has sought to ignore and deny the existence of satan. Christ was in casting out evil spirits and this doctrine and belief, with all which he found everywhere possessing mankind, and which condition we not the consequent and attendant error and blindness, intensified in this case by wealth and ideness, completely misled them, and what they did is only the specially enriched fruitage and the natural product of all such conditions.

They had come it may be to that degraded state wherein they believed themselves to hold kinship with and descent from the monkey or the jack ass, and therefore a developing and improving species, but utter strangers to the truth, which is now clearly the state of those young men, and therefore came the suggestion, source and plan of the things done by both of them. When we all return to this vital truth, understanding that men are possessed of evil until they are cause of the failure of mankind and to the truth, which is now clearly their awful mistakes and unspeak able sins.

bers of a lost, ruined and degraded creation, marred, blighted and de-Infidelity, atheism, unbelief, the less wholesale rejection of formed by sin, which in greater or less degree is the natural state of all God's Word everywhere, is the caus of all our crime and wickedness, the work of the devil in each instance mankind Unbelief is therefore the condition The foolish imaginings of men substi

tuted for the sure word of truth and prophesy, the belief in the monumen Abe Martin tal stupidity and ridiculous absurdit; called "evolution," ranks very high

among the chief causes for present de generacy and crime We have all contributed to this con dition and result in proportion as we have listened to the foolishness of mer and the oppositions of science, falsel

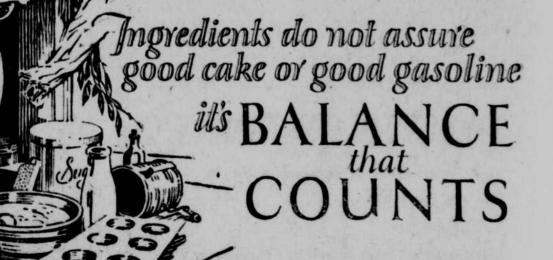
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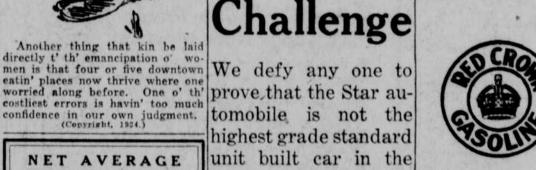
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