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Some Short Jabs to the Jaw

Nebraska has the goods. What Nebraska needs is the proper advertising thereof.

Daniel Wolfert Cook's solitary vote for senator proved the slim basis for an almighty big laugh.

"Blue Eyed" Billy Sheean of New York seems due for a pair of black eyes in his senatorial chase.

The last Roosevelt notice we saw was used to pry apart a couple of patent medicine locals in a country exchange.

Doubtless those Los Angeles union smashers have their Harry Orchard all ready to swear away the lives of innocent men.

Naturally the Oregon-Nebraska way of selecting United States senators is calculated to make the "big interests" throw 57 kinds of fits.

A little more attention to the proper breeding of children without any less attention to the proper breeding of hogs and cattle, would help Nebraska a lot.

To Church Howe in Manchester, England, and Tom Majors in Peru, the proceedings of the Nebraska senatorial election must have made mighty tame reading.

Lodge of Massachussetts profits by the fact that the people had no voice in his selection. If they had Henry Cabot Lodge would soon have ample leisure in which to prosecute his literary studies.

The St. Louis Republic opines that the decision of 100,000 tobacco growers not to raise any tobacco this year will not effect the cigaret industry. Certainly not; it will merely stimulate the cabbage industry.

Champ Clark says that Smoot had as much to do with the robber tariff as Aldrich. Every day that Smoot remains in the senate is a reminder of the corrupt tie-up between the republican machine and the Mormon church.

The Iowa standpatters are quite in favor of the direct primary, now that they see a chance of using it to keep their famous standpat leader, Lafe Young, in the senate a few weeks longer. A great deal always depends upon the point of view.

The initiative and referendum bill as introduced in the Nebraska legislature ought to go through without a single amendment. Members who seek to amend will lay themselves open to suspicion of being intent only on emasculating the measure.

Say, isn't there some way to gather reliable statistics as to the difference between Lincoln "dry" and Lincoln "wet?" We are getting all balled up on the conflicting figures being sent forth by interested parties.

Mayor Love has been telling the Sioux Cityans a few things about "Lincoln's dry policy." Truly the conditions in Lincoln are ideal, so far as the liquor question is concerned. Those who want prohibition have it, and those who want liquor can get it without very much trouble.

The proposition to employ a special assistant to the attorney general to be stationed in Omaha to prosecute offenders against the liquor laws should be put to sleep as quickly as possible. If the eminent statesman who fathers the bill will sweep his own county's doorstep clean he will have quite enough to do without noting the frost upon Douglas county tiles.

Of course the esteemed State Journal did not know what it was talking about when it referred to the crop statistics of Nebraska as a colossal joke. The fact of the matter is that the Nebraska statistics are the most reliable of any state in the union, and so admitted by government experts. The 950 crop correspondents are all practical farmers, many of them graduates of the State School of Agriculture. If the statistics they furnish are a joke, then the State School of Agri-

culture is a joke. The system used for four years in Nebraska is better than the system used by the national government, are gathered more quickly, and are used by the government itself in revising its estimates. "Joke?" Does the Journal mean to say that the progressive farmers who furnish the figures are a lot of incompetents and liars? *



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