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Senator Burkett of Nebraska last week introduced a bill in the senate that will make the hearts of the rural mail carriers warm to him.

WHAT ROOSEVELT WOULD DO.

The following paragraph was contained in the resolutions adopted by the "insurgents" at Lincoln:

It would be worth while just now to have the African lion hunter in the place and furnished with the opportunity of President Taft.

That Roosevelt would be doing exactly what President Taft is, that is allowing the house to take care of its own rules, is apparent from the fact that that is just exactly what Roosevelt did do during the seven years in the white house.

There's a good deal of claptrap going around about what Roosevelt would do if he were there, when, as a matter of fact, his career in the white house shows that he kept his hands off the house rules fight, just as his successor is doing.

A SQUARE DEAL.

The Kansas City Post endeavors to give its readers a square deal in the Swope mystery.

There is much excitement in Kansas City about the recent deaths in the Swope family, and thousands of people are anxious to believe that some of the kin administered poison, with a view of gaining control of the Swope fortune.

"Simply as an editorial opinion, we feel in duty bound, as an agency of publicity, to say that there is no credible evidence whatever trying the Swope death tragedies to any certain person or persons.

Every newspaper in the world should print more editorial opinions of that kind. There are innumerable cases where the people are unduly excited, and hoping that uncommitted crimes will develop.

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THE EASY MEAT PROBLEM.

At the corn improvers' banquet last week President Sellock of the local Commercial club told a good story to illustrate the ravages of the hookworm," the germ of "that tired feeling," in the south.

When Nebraska people complain of the price of meat, and talk of a boycott, a plan to cut off their nose to spite their face, and call on the government to come to the rescue, one is forced to wonder if a share of Mr. Rockefeller's worm million is not needed here.

In the past there was some excuse for hopelessness of getting off the rake tooth. In old days these Chicago gentlemen could and did destroy the local butcher who made an effort to short circuit them by getting the steer to the table without shipping him alive five hundred miles and then shipping him back dead five hundred miles, toll being taken incidentally and respectively by local buyer, railroad, stock yards, commission man, packer, then again railroad, and finally retailer.

Now we know, or could know if we took the trouble to learn, that it is not necessary to stand this. Presumably the packers' railroad privileges are gone.

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requirements of their services and sufficient to their needs are paid them. The doctors of medicine perhaps have done right by deciding to charge the fees up to the doctors of divinity, but they should now take out full membership in the Society of Gospel Salary Boosters in order to collect the bill.

THE PASSING OF A QUIANT CHARACTER.

With the death of Judge Gaslin at Alma last week Nebraska has lost a man who has done no small part toward the making of the state's history.

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trials to the sentences of the different horse thieves brought before him for trial a total of 110 years to make up for that team of bronchos.

BOYCOTTS.

The suggestion of a boycott of manufactured articles by farmers indicates the general tendency of the boycott movement to push conditions back toward the Stone Age.

It seems unlikely that such a scheme of boycotting will be undertaken. In view of the crop situation in recent years, the profitable prices that have obtained and the consequent general prosperity of the farmers of the United States, such a condition as that involved in the suggested boycott would be purely artificial.

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Hitchcock, upon the theory that Mayor Dahlman is going to make a really hard fight for governor. Since the visit of Shallenberger to Washington one can hear all kinds of political guesses as to the next two years.

THE AMERICAN WOMAN.

There is no doubt that the most interesting thing to the European who lands on the northern shores of the new world is the American woman.

The American woman is not only one of the most interesting phenomena of North America, but is also the phenomenon of the new world that might have the greatest and gravest effect on the old, shaking on their foundations the essential principles of our female instruction and training.

THE RACE FOR RICHES.

The writer once inquired of a very successful man: "When do you ever get a moment's time for your own self—to be yourself and to think your own thoughts?"

Instructed the Queen.

Queen Victoria of England was once pulled up short by an old Scotch woman. Her majesty had started out one afternoon to sit on a hillside and watch some of her relatives fishing in the river below her.

Icebergs.

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