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NEBRASKA PRIMARY RESULTS.

While the returns from the Nebraska primary are coming in that slow fashion to which we are accustomed, enough has been learned to shadow clearly the principal results.

Senator Hiram Johnson has been endorsed as the republican preferred for president. This is so because a majority of the voters wanted him. On the democratic side, Senator Hitchcock had no opposition, and will go to San Francisco with the advantage of the popular support of Nebraska democrats. He will have the handicap of a state delegation headed by William Jennings Bryan, who declared in advance that he would not cast his vote for Mr. Hitchcock in the convention. This is one of the anomalies of the primary system.

Apparently Governor McKelvie is given the compliment of a nomination for a second term. to be opposed by John H. Morehead, whose success in face of the opposition of both the Hitchcock and Bryan groups is a decided tribute to his personal popularity. The women seem to have had their revenge on Arthur Mullen, the democratic national committeeman, who is to be succeeded by William H. Thompson, the "Little Giant," an avowed Bryan adherent:

Analysts and antiquarians may find satisfaction in dissecting the vote, but the ordinary mortal gets little out of such "post mortem" proceedings. The voters have made their decision, from which there is no appeal. A surcease from politics is now possible for Nebraska until June, affording ample time for the planting of crops and doing of other work that is needed to carry on the business of the state. Let us turn our attention for the moment from statecraft to the homely but essential joys of domestic life, and see that nothing is lacking for another season of prosperity in Nebraska.

A Prophesy at the Polls.

A voter of many years' experience when approaching the polling place of his precinct on Tuesday morning saw a sight that impressed him and must similarly affect any who seriously thinks of the future of the republic. A husband and wife who had gone together to vote were leaving the booth, each holding the hand of a little daughter who walked between them. It was a picture of the American family discharging the highest duty of American citizenship. The republic is founded in the home, and its safety is secure as long as the American home is maintained. For generations man alone has cast the ballot, determining the policies and the choice of men to serve in administering the

laws and managing the affairs of government. Woman, however, has not been without her influence in elections, although it has been exerted indirectly. Even in the times of greatest turmoil, when excitement has run highest, men have been swayed by thoughts of home, where the wife and mother is enthroned, and this consideration has been a secure anchorage at all times against any tendency towards destruction. Now that woman is taking on the full share of citizenship, her directly exerted influence will surely be no less potent in the future than it has been in the past. When the American family goes together to vote, who will say the institutions of Liberty are in jeopardy?

Disparaging the Potato.

"Potatoes could be utterly abolished and not a person would be the worse for it," says a Spokane paper, which goes on to say they are principally water and starch with little nutritive value. The price now paid for a pound of potato, which is about one man's portion at a meal, will buy enough rice or beans or macaroni for the whole family, and the latter are rich in nourishment, is the final slam at the potato as an article of diet.

The potato will survive this assault-at least until some way of making the proposed substitutes equally palatable. A mashed potato, with its cream and butter ingredients; or fried in fragrant fried pork grease; or enriched with cheese; or baked and garnished with butter and paprika, have an appeal to the palate that scientific measurements of its intrinsic food value cannot overcome. Besides it is the best "filler" the earth provides for large stomachs and bowels. A too condensed diet is bad for man. He must have his potatoes with his meat and other foods for the same reason that the horse must have hay with his grain. We are duly thankful that Nebraska soil produces the finest potatoes in the world.

Dolling Up the Overall.

Overalls at \$43.50 will not have much effect on reducing the high cost of living, but may give some of the sudden-rich a chance to display their possession of wealth and paucity of taste. The garment itself is a uniform of which the wearer may be proud, for it indicates honest toil. Adopted as a protest against exorbitant prices, it shows a righteous indignation, and affords a vent for feelings that might otherwise explode. But when its buckles are gilded and set with rhinestones, then it becomes not an emblem of labor or of resistance to extortion, but a tawdry thing that can exhibit only the idleness of the mind that employs it. At best, the movement to overalls is likely to fall short of its object, other than a sign of protest.

The profiteers have met the situation very fairly by putting up the price on the garb, so that their end of the game is well cared for, regardless of the form extravagance takes. Some more definite form of attack must be devised, if the leeches who are bleeding the country are to be dislodged.

Water Routes to World Markets.

A conference at St. Louis, having for its object the consolidation of two societies organized to deal with improvement of the Mississippi and its tributaries brings forward again the general theme. Discussion, both general and particular, has persisted for many years. and as yet to no decided program. For the river improvement the suggestion has frequently been made that a comprehensive plan be formulated, and that to its carrying out the government be pledged. One of the difficulties in the way has been the varying mood of congress, something that may be overcome through proper means. The importance of water way utilization is no longer questioned, and as the railroad systems have and are falling short of the requirements of steadily increasing business, the need for supplemental facilities is pressing for greater attention.

In connection with the possible use of the great streams of the Missisippi valley for commercial purposes, comes another project of vital concern to the great grain growing empire. A ship canal to connect Lake Erie and Lake Ontario opens a water route to Europe dependable and direct. Chicago would become an ocean port, instead of a lake station, and the way from the fields of Nebraska to the tables of the Old World would be shortened by thousand miles of rail haul. Canada already is at work on improvement of the old Welland canal, but the big project is to be handled, if

at all, on the American side. Omaha is soon to be given more definite information as to the details of this great undertaking, which is recognized as of tremendous importance in its bearing on the future of the greatest food producing region on the globe. It will be well for our readers to inform themselves fully, that they may give effective support to the enterprise when it comes time. The prosperity and growth of the community is involved in the industries that will be chiefly served by the shorter water way to the Atlantic, and what may be done to establish it.

The Price of Shoes.

"Shoes could be sold at lower prices than n 1918, when dealers agreed that \$12 should be the maximum charge," says the expert of the federal trade commission. A member of the committee of the senate investigating shoe prices says leather companies exceeded 100 per cent profit in 1918, when shoes retailed at half what is charged now.

American shoes sold for less in England during the war, than in this country. Cloth shoes can be manufactured for less money than leather ones, but they sell for the same prices; and low shoes, which require about one-third less leather than highs, sell for the same price. The prices of women's common shoes are put up to make up for losses in extreme styles that change with each season, and the extreme styles are made not because of a demand for them, but because the manufacturers order and fix the styles.

The foregoing remarks are a summary of sworn testimony. The reader may draw his own conclusions from them.

Are Nevada's Hands Clean?

The state of Nevada, which harbors and approves Reno, and has profited these many years by its quick and easy divorce laws, looks a trifle out of character in a pose of indignation over the divorce one of its courts granted Mary Pickford.

The Brooklyn Standard-Union says the alegations of the Nevada officers against the movie favorite impress everybody as technicalities. They are her concealment of her identity until she took the witness stand, her alleged conspiracy to defeat a California law, her connivance, collusion, and so forth. The Brooklyn paper asks if the righteous Nevada officers would be so interested if the remarried woman had been poor and obscure, and quite significantly alludes to a Manhattan lawyer sent to prison for several years because he was a party to a blackmailing attempt to worry a rich man and his wife by a plot to annul their

Hidden From All But Tumulty.

Hon. Theodore Burton of New York, appointed by the president to the United States Tariff commission, went to Washington last week to have the president withdraw the appointment which he cannot accept, and about which he was not consulted.

He could not get to the president; Secretary Tumulty was in Chicago at the Sullivan funeral; there was no one in Washington who could carry the information to the White House recluse who is guarded from all men and all public business; and the former Ohio senator had to stay over two days to see Tumulty about it.

Verily, the mystery deepens in the big old house across from La Fayette square.

The Premier Gift of Married Life. Speaking of diamonds the Milwaukee Journal says something we like, to-wit: "One honest brick in the foundation of a real home is more precious than all the shining baubles." If people could but see that! A home is the sheet-anchor of good, conservative citizenship. Big or little, ornate or humble, if it is a real home its value to a man and his wife is far greater than fur coats, jewels, feathers, fine raiment, hotel luxuries and all the conveniences, attractions, amusements and vanities that can

possibly be enjoyed-without a home. A home is worth more than all the other material gifts a husband can lavish on his wife.

Pa Rourke's boys started very nicely, winning their first battle. It is a long time until October, but a game won now is won for good and counts as much as any.

"Tom" Marshall reminds of the time when quinine was \$20 an ounce. It was also an indispensable necessity of life "along the river" in those days, too.

Perfume at \$5 a drop ought to meet the modest requirements of the dainty dressers, but it will never be popular.

"Let the people rule." The voters seem to know who they want for candidates.

Look where Jerry Howard litl

A Line O' Type or Two

TO DOROTHY. O Dorothy. Thy misery Just chokes me up

And so am I, And soon Fred's barrel Too will die.

And passions' joys Are poor decoys When you have got Three husky boys.

My remedy: Accumulate A family.

And darning socks Will close the locks On troubles from Pandora's box. DOUBLE BARREL

MIGHT we suggest to our fatidical friend, MIGHT we suggest to our fatidical friend, bronchial tubes are examined by the Weather Man, that some equivalent for the phrase, "no decided change in temperature," asthma is due to pressure on the air phrase, "no decided change in temperature," would be welcome? How about "No appreciable amelioration of meteorological

Lodes and Suckers.

Sir: The old term, second-story worker, is quite inadequate for landlords. They are boosting the firsts and thirds quite as much as the seconds. But what we meant to speak of was promoters, mine promoters. These men talk a good deal about the "mother lode," which appears to lie like a cuttle fish at the nub of a nest of branching veins or "stringers." A mine is successfully promoted when you have secured

sucker for every stringer.

Speaking of the mother lode, we know a man who has been very successful in prospecting for hootch. This old-timer walks the loop until he spies a prospect who is visibly loaded. He then follows up the prospect till he strikes the follows up the prospect till he strikes the mother load.

P. S.—Would it not be in order to suggest that Reno be rechristened Screeno, Nevada?

THE delusion that hair turns white in a single night is an attractive exaggeration which prospers in the ear that hears the story. Curiously, there are no "authenticated cases" of gray hair turning black, or red, without the aid of a hairdresser.

SOMETHING ON HIS HIP? (From the Manistique, Mich., Courier-Record.) Louis Messenger of the "Rapid River News paid a humid visit to Garden Monday.

SAFETY Council Formed to Cut Down Death Toll-Harold F. McCormick Launches Move and Subscribes \$1,000."
"Harold McCormick Jr. Is Fined \$30 for

Total subscription, \$1,030.

Home Brewer's Corner.

Transmutation of baser metals interests me not at all. Please ask Prof. Soddy whether or not the addition of one alpha particle will impart to the home brew a four per cent kick or better; also if the subtraction of one beta particle will remove the dishwater taste that mine affects.

O. R. G.

Sir: Our vote for official sampler is to be had if you will tell us how we can get to you a bottle of the acme of amateur perfection without disturbing the residuum. You will, we believe, appreciate the equity of not confining the field of your valued operations to Chicago in the face the legitimate demands of country competi-n. BREWMEISTER.

Sir: Yeh, and while you've been "deciding the bet between two amateur brewers," I've been waiting here with a barrel of 5 per cent on my hands for some amateur to produce the bottle of 21/2 per cent. If they don't hurry I'll use it myself. You know, the amateurs do not they need is confidence in their own product and about \$3 currency, and any analytical laboratory will do the telling. Should the decision be against me, I'll refund the money with the barrel. Charity patients with a horn can have a free test made at John Dill's headquarters up to the safe so long as they stick to the baked article. All these and other methods are given by Dr. Gottlieb, who has found them effective.

Day appears to be breaking for the asthmatic. free test made at John Dill's headquarters and I'll abide by the decision also. H. C. L. Sir: I rise to remark that I have some good

10-year-old bourbon left, and I'll donate a full quart for proof of anyone tapping a quart bottle of booze from the bottom and refilling same.

C. F. L.

ALL home-brewed beer tastes like beer just as all apple pies taste like apple pie; but there are apple pies and apple pies. His gauge told the Rev. Pere Gaucher the alcoholic content of his elixir, but for information of its velvet smoothness he depended on his palate.

Ye Enraptured Ed.

(Frm the Eastland, Tex., Oil Belt News.) Through the open window the cool night air blows sweetly and gently, soothing away the worries of the previous day and its memories of dust and other nuisances. The great, deep blue canopy of the heavens gleams with its jeweled stars. In the far distance beyond Olden Jeweled stars. In the far distance beyond Olden and toward Pleasant Grove and Ranger the fire fly twinkles of the oil rigs shine a cheering illumination. A burning plume of natural gas within the city limits casts a ruddy hue upon night's mantle and afar off a sword of light plercing the early gloom, and a humming growing plainer upon the softness of the eastern breeze, tells of the swift motion of some motor car. Within the city only the lights of some car. Within the city only the lights of some early risers are gleaming in the sable surroundof night pours its soothing baim as a gentle benediction. The prevailing silence is shattered suddenly by a clarion call from a wakeful chanticleer, declaring himself in silvery tones. From adjacent surroundings like adjacent surroundings like an echo comes a de-fiant reply—another and another, like the spreading ripples from a stone thrown into pel-lucid waters, then a dying away to grim and re-

lentless silence once more.
(To be continued.) "I SURELY am fed up on universal military training, military presidential aspirants, and military bunk in general."-Vox Pop. Similar sentiments were expressed when Washington was mentioned for the presidency.

A Good Critic, at Least. (From the Oakland, Ind., Journal.)

In a letter to her mother, Miss R. Marion Bugg, who has been employed at Belleaire Heights, Florida, enclosed the following lines, saying:
"Enclosed are some verses that came to me one Sunday morning before arising, while looking out from my window. They are not very good, so don't show them."

The God in the Blue

Looks down at you, And loves you a thousandfold. But think of the day When you fail to pray How His big heart grieves and is sore.

Oh God in the Blue, May we love you too! May we visualize your throne! Then will come a day When we'll wish to pray, And have no desire to roam

AT Camp Dodge "furlonghs are granted on request to soldiers eligible to them." By sav-ing up his furlonghs a soldier can make quite

SINCE YOU ASK US, WHY NOT? Sir: Out on Indiana avenue is a building with the sign: "Pullman Palace Car Porters Association Headquarters." Why not cut it short and call it "George's Place?" S. L. T.

"WE buy, raise and sell fur-bearing rabbits."-Ad of a Fargo fur company. As distinguished from the feathered and web-footed CERTAINLY.

Sir: May I not suggest "The Bedroom" as a name for the new A. H. Woods theater in Chi-HELP improve the telephone service. Take out your gum-wad before calling your sodafountain friend's number.

PETRUCHIO: You probably can get the book at Fanny's First Shop. PROF. TODD, Amherst, please forward: "DEAR MARS: Any sign of spring?"
B. L. T.

How to Keep Well By Dr. W. A. EVANS

BRONCHIAL ASTHMA.

There are those who object to the erm hay fever, saying it is not a fever and it is not caused by hay. Nevertheless the term is accepted as applying to a disease which results whenever persons extremely sensisiderable dose of them. The condition is a first cousin to bronchial That disease not infrequently develops during the course of hay fever.

college have a hay fever and asthma cifnic, of which Dr. M. J. Gottlieb is director. When a case appears at that clinic they first decide whether it is hay fever or asimma by noting the history of onset. Unless the on-set is limited to one or the other (spring or August) hay fever sea-

sons, that disease can be eliminated. They next examine the patient's heart and urine to decide whether he has heart or kidney asthma. Next the nose and teeth are examined for growths or other pathology. The passages.

We will say that in a given case all of these have been ruled out and the case is one of bronchial asthma. The asthma is certain to be the result of poisoning by some substance to which the patient is exceptionally sensitive. Here is where the kinship to hay fever and also to urticaria or nettle rash comes in.

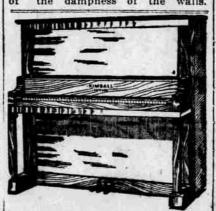
The next step is to determine what the poison is. This is done by making a scratch on the skin and rub oing in the test substance. A long list of substances ready for test is furnished by the manufacturing biological chemists. The products are inexpensive and the tests are so simple any physician can make them. The patient is only slightly incon-

most painless. for test are extracts of dandruff and hair from horses, cats, dogs, cows, feathers, and fur. If these have been tried and found not to be the cause the next step should be to test the foods in the same way. Among the foods which may cause asthma are flour, buckwheat, potatoes, eggs, meat and fish. If these are not responsible the possibility that he is exceptionally subject to poisons from the bodies of certain bacteria must

the same way. The bacteria grown from the tonsils and teeth are also As the result of some of these examinations we will say the cause has been determined. What can be done about it? The high degree of susceptibility can be cured by weekly injections of very small doses of the offending substance. The beginning

tity required to produce a reaction. The dose is gradually increased un-Those poisoned by cow, cat or dog fur or feathers can keep away from the offending animals. Those poisoned by milk can escape in most instances by eating boiled milk.
When milk is boiled thoroughly a scum rises to the surrace. If this be skimmed off and thrown away the milk left can be used without harm. Generally patients poisoned by potatoes are safe so long as they stick

G. A. M. writes: "You advocate humidity in homes. I have often heard people speak of the danger of occupying a new house before the plaster is thoroughly dry on account of the dampness of the walls.



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The Bee's Letter Box

Council Bluffs, Ia., April 19.-To and Nineteenth avenue, called the police department and he Editor of The Bee: If the Bee stands for what it claims please print this letter or some of it. If it just concerned my own family I wouldn't take the trouble to write it, and by doing so I will only be inviting more what has happened to us has happened to there and will continue to happen, therefore the public ought to know. We have lived in Council Bluffs 32 years and we never had trouble with anyone and never had trouble with the police except the clique that is in office now. My husband has been ma-chinist helper for several years for

the Milwaukee railroad. He belongs to Machinists' Omaha lodge, No. 31. The attacks made on my daugh-ter, Katharine, on April 12 and March 27, I believe were for re-venge on me, as I was warned nonths ago that it would be worse for myself if I didn't quit trying to expose crocked officials. lows are well known to the police. The girl was saved a fearful fate only by Providence, as their inten-tions were to get her away in an automobile. There were at least hree men the first time and I don't know how many the second, but they drove the car right in front of house and had a fellow at the

wheel for a quick get away. told the girl that she could call all only be worse for herself as none of We knew he was telling the truth because that is the kind of men the Council Bluffs police protects, so we didn't make any report the first But the second time, just a few minutes after, one of the fire-

Wouldn't this add to the humidity

I have often thought of the point basis for the prejudice against new, wet-walled houses, especially as winter habitations.

Help for Deaf Person. M. K. writes that some one wrote

to her asking her to challenge the statement of "F," who recently intimated in this column that the deaf the bodies of certain bacteria must be investigated in the same way.

It is customary to test the bacteria in the sputum, the nose secretions, and even in the bowel movements in the same way. The bacteria grown the tonsils and teeth are also in the tonsils and teeth are also in the tonsils and teeth are also in the deaf and not to express untime to the tonsils and teeth are also in the deaf and not to express untime to the tonsils and teeth are also in the deaf and not to express untime to the tonsils and teeth are also in the deaf and not to express untime to the tonsils and teeth are also in the column that the deaf lacked mentality. Upon close read-lacked mentality.

"The deaf quickly grow self-cen-tered, because they have little else to center on." M. K. says this is true, and, recognizing it, there are societies formed to help the not to become selfish or self-centered. She belongs to such a society, and it is doing good work. She suggests that "F." read the Volta Review, and learn of these societies and guids. He also should investigate lip read-ing, "the art of all arts, that seems til full doses cause no reaction. In to roll back the heavy curtain of some cases simpler procedures are deafness and quicken both mind and spirit."

name of the fellow that hit and kicked the girl. His intention was to overpower her so she couldn't scream. If he had been successful told the fireman that they

anything to him.

scream. If he had been successful they could have got away with her and made an investigation and that place and they didn't pick him up either. It was just like he said,

MRS. JAMES JOHNSON, Nineteenth avenue, Council

An ostrich dissected in London had in its stomach a small prayer book. Cremation establishments, under the control of the government, are to be found in all the chief cities of Japan. It is estimated that 70,000 tons of in the auto, but she was lucky to get out in the yard where we heard her screams. The police told the fireman that they would The kitchen of the shah of Percorks are needed for the bottled beer pick up the fellow, but two days sia is the most valuable in the later they told The Bee reporter on world. Even the pans and pots are this side that they had been down lined with gold, and the plates and the girl didn't know who the fellow solid gold, encrusted with precious was. They didn't come near the stones.

Dr. Samuel Johnson, so it is recorded, would never enter a room that none of the police would do teft foot foremost, and brave Marshal Saxe was in terror at the sight of a cat. Peter the Great was in a tremor of fear if he had to cross a bridge, and Byron turned pale if he spilled salt at the table.

ODD AND INTERESTING.

Gov. Calvin Coolidge Says:

66T AGREE that the measure of success is not merchandise, but character. But I do criticise those sentiments, held in all too respectable quarters, that our economic system is fundamentally wrong, that commerce is only selfishness, and that our citizens, holding the hope of all that America means, are living in industrial slavery. I appeal to Amherst men to reiterate and sustain the Amherst doctrine, that the man who builds a factory builds a temple, that the man who works there worships there, and to each is due, not scorn and blame, but reverence and praise.??

Governor Coolidge's book is already in the fourth edition. It is called

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