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It will now be in order for the popoerats to expose their sore spots. And there are plenty of them to expose.

From present prospects Nebraska farmers will be too busy this fall enlarging corn bins to join in the calamity chorus.

The trust attorneys would like to have a trust conference every week. Defending the trusts is a paying profession for certain members of the legal profession.

Nebraska republicans held in state convention this week. With candidates named and issues joined a brisk fight on the central battlefield should be begun without delay.

Bryan's friends are talking about inaugurating a preliminary campaign for 1900. Wonder what they call the campaign which Bryan inaugurated just after the returns came in 1896.

A retrospective glance at some of the mayor's vetoes overridden by the council will show the members of that body where they could have saved themselves a part of their present financial embarrassment.

In his appeal to the courts for recognition as the only lawful insurance commissioner, Auditor Cornell calls Governor Poynter a usurper. A recprocation of compliments may be expected when the governor files his answer.

Popocratic organs make Candidate Holcomb hall from Custer county, although he has not lived there in five years. This is simply another sample trick by which the fusion candidate is trying to mislead the people.

Henry Watterson is declaring emphatically that anti-expansion is anti-democracy. Between variegated views on free silver, trusts and expansion the democrat would like to know where he is at in having a hard time.

Local democratic managers cannot fail to see the apathy that prevails in every ward in regard to the tickets they propose to put in the field. Every sane man knows how slight is the chance of their electing a single man next November.

There is every reason to believe that the parade of the civic societies planned for Ak-Sar-Ben week will be one of the attractive features of the celebration. Every member of every secret society and labor organization should take a personal pride in making this parade a success.

The Sixth Nebraska district will be reclaimed to republicanism by the election of a republican to congress next November if the voters know what is good for them. Congress is a republican body presided over by a republican speaker and the effective work will be done by republican members.

The Sixth district ought to have had a sufficiency of donoting populist representatives in the lower house of the national legislature.

The capital city has suffered another heavy loss by fire, the department seemingly being utterly powerless to stop the progress of the flames. Just such experiences as this teach cities the importance of maintaining a strong force of fire fighters and the very latest and best apparatus. Without such protection the losses of a single day may cost property owners far more than the cost of adequate protection for years.

Members of the Douglas county bar are said to be considering a motion to get together and select seven of the fittest candidates for the district bench. Under existing conditions such action would be untimely, and we do not believe any considerable number of lawyers are disposed to go on record in the matter. Should they do so, however, the republican nominees would have little to fear from the effects of an expression of choice.

WEALTH IN CORN.

The corn crop of the United States this year will probably be the largest in the history of the country and also the most valuable. The New York correspondent of the Philadelphia Press says that some of the financiers are counting with great confidence on the influence of the corn crop in maintaining and increasing business activity and industrial prosperity. This correspondent says that "our bankers are now of the opinion that the great wealth-producing crop of the United States is hereafter to be corn rather than wheat or cotton, and the enormous crop that is to be harvested this month or next is expected to yield far more profitable returns than crops of other years have done, partly through its utilization through the advances chemical science has made for other than food purposes. "It has been said here within a few days," says this correspondent, "that the by-products from corn, produced from what was formerly regarded as refuse, may prove to be as valuable as the by-products from petroleum, and we have heard that very extensive and promising experiments are being made looking to the utilization of corn for the manufacture of commodities formerly exclusively made from rubber."

This is a fact which cannot fail to attract the attention of the corn producers of Nebraska and other states. We cannot undertake to say what the possibilities are for the utilization of corn in the direction indicated, but we presume that the suggestion of the correspondent quoted is not by any means a fanciful one and consequently worthy of more than a passing consideration. It is of course purely a scientific question whether corn can be used in the way suggested and we will not assume to express an opinion, but we may venture to assert that it is not impossible.

At all events this is true, that the corn crop of the United States this year, if the estimates are verified, will contribute enormously to the national wealth and justify the claim that this cereal, instead of cotton, is king. And in the contribution that will be made from this source to the wealth and prosperity of the nation Nebraska will furnish a liberal share.

UNWARRANTED CRITICISM.

Disappointed because she could get only a corporal's guard of the First Nebraska boys to march in her parade and boom the exposition Omaha played the baby act and called upon the governor to give her back her 15 cents. Accordingly our obliging governor returned out of surplus contributions the \$1,500 Omaha subscription to the railroad the week before, Omaha-Huron-Nebraska.

There is nothing so foolish and unjustifiable as the sectional jealousy of Omaha which crops out periodically in the rural press. While Omaha has always been in the forefront with liberal contributions to every public enterprise it rarely receives credit for what it does.

In this instance Omaha has done its full share toward bringing home the First Nebraska and when the state levies the tax to foot the bill it will be compelled to defray at least one-eighth of the whole expense.

It may not be generally understood, but it is nevertheless a fact, that the \$1,500 repaid by Governor Poynter was raised as a fund for the reception and entertainment of Company L, the Omaha company. The money in the hands of the citizens' committee was turned over to the governor without consulting the donors and neither pocketed nor redistributed to the donors, as it would have been had the governor retained it to be reimbursed by the legislature.

If this is an evidence of hoghishness we fall to see it.

AWAITING AMERICAN ACTION.

A dispatch from Berlin in reference to the feeling in Germany regarding the Dreyfus case, says that "the bulk of the people seem to await the action of Great Britain and the United States and will be guided thereby." If that correctly represents the attitude of Germany there will of course be nothing done, so far as the government is concerned, and the probability is that even those manufacturers who have indicated their intention to withdraw from the Paris exposition will reconsider and decide to put their wares on exhibition.

It is absolutely certain that neither the government of the United States nor that of Great Britain will withdraw from participation in the Paris exposition. There has been developed in England a very strong popular sentiment against taking any part in the great show of 1900 and a number of firms which had arranged to have exhibits there have announced their determination to withdraw. The same is true of German and other European exhibitors. But it is very probable that this ebullition of indignation, meritorious as it unquestionably is, will die out as the commercial considerations are more carefully taken into account and that gradually this form of protest against an act of injustice which the entire civilized world condemns will be abandoned. Certainly so far as the United States is concerned there appears to be no doubt that all the space in the exposition allotted to this country will be occupied and probably the Rennes verdict will not materially affect the travel from this country to Paris next year.

The fact is, that in all countries practical considerations will ultimately prevail. The possibility of gain from being represented in the exposition will over-

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come the resentment which the Dreyfus verdict has created. It is simply human nature. The French government perhaps appreciates this fact, but none the less it may see the expediency of recognizing the adverse opinion of the world and give the victim of a malicious persecution his freedom. That would mean at once the pacification of France and her rehabilitation in the good opinion of mankind.

THE FUSION COUNTY TICKET.

The ticket nominated by the Douglas county triple combination has some elements of strength and many elements of weakness. While the candidates endorsed for the support of fusionists have the advantage of not having been closely identified with the Jacksonian machine gang, they for the most part are unknown to the mass of voters and have no special claim for public favor.

The weakest spot in the make-up of the conglomerate county ticket is its want of cohesion which naturally springs from the bargain and sale method by which one convention forces upon another convention candidates which not only have nothing in common with its rank and file, but are positively offensive to them. At no time in the political history of this county has fusion been so openly brought about by shameless bargaining and bulldozing. At no time in the history of fusion have the elements that make up the ticket been so clumsily welded together by downright use of hoodie and promises of state house patronage.

That a ticket nominated under such conditions will be repudiated at the polls is a foregone conclusion.

The announcement that the local electric lighting company will not be able to supply the necessary current to illuminate the court house and city hall during Ak-Sar-Ben week should not be allowed to do away with this most striking feature of the annual carnival. The city has appropriated money for this purpose. If the current cannot be secured from the public lighting plant there are other private plants in that vicinity which could furnish the necessary light if proper arrangements should be made. After the beautiful features produced on the city hall and court house in past years it would be a pity to eliminate them from the illuminations this year. The Ak-Sar-Ben committee which has this branch of the work in charge should take up this problem without delay and work it out if it can possibly be solved even if the illuminations at the exposition grounds should have to be shut down in part temporarily while parades are passing the streets.

The Thirty-ninth infantry regiment is rapidly recruiting at Fort Crook, over 300 men having enlisted. Quite a number of volunteers of returned Nebraska regiments have re-enlisted for the war for the pacification of the Philippine islands and now have a place in Uncle Sam's regular army. This is pretty good evidence that the hardships encountered were not intolerable and were at least no greater than might be expected in the tropics.

The Dreyfus verdict is now paraded as an insult to Germany likely to put the two nations as far apart again as ever. The German government, it is recited, gave absolute assurances that it had no communications through its foreign embassies with Dreyfus, but the French court-martial paid no more attention to that than to the prisoner's protestations of innocence. It was a jury fixed in advance to convict and that is all there was to it.

Mayor Moores has found it necessary to make another appeal to the people for subscriptions to the fund for the relief of families of firemen killed at the Mercer building fire. A cause so worthy must appeal to the sympathies of all. Property owners most interested have contributed liberally, but the public in general has not yet done their full duty.

It is said the freight rate war between the Burlington and the Memphis roads is nearing an end, the southern line having the best of it up to date. This tempest in a teapot has made a good deal of noise in this region of late, yet it has cut no large figure in the great volume of traffic from this territory.

A printed volume containing a stenographic report of its proceedings will constitute the monument left by the trust conference. Perhaps this will be as effective after all as presenting a series of memorials and resolutions to congress to be pigeonholed in committee desks.

Chicago Tribune.

Attending Strictly to Business.

St. Louis Republic.

Life is Too Short, Horace.

Baltimore American.

Ex-Governor Boies of Iowa is trying to harmonize the democratic party. The governor has gotten along too far in years to tackle such a proposition.

Neglecting Home Conditions.

Chicago Record.

The democratic party is taking more interest in the alleged wrongs from which Aguinaldo suffers than in the outrages perpetrated on the negroes of the south.

Effect of American Push.

Globe-Democrat.

Santiago's exports have doubled under American administration and they all come to the United States, their natural market. Cuba's development would be a marvel with stable government assured.

The Only Alternative.

Philadelphia Ledger.

The Filipino government refuses to accept autonomy under American suzerainty and will fight to the last. President McKinley's well known position is that the Philippine islands belong to the United States by right of property in the republics more secure. An alliance for the mutual discouragement of revolutionaries would be far more to the point than a pact to prevent absorption by the big brother of the north.

WISDOM, THEN, IS CLEARLY DEFINED.

The only way to maintain our authority in the Philippines is to whip the Filipinos.

Acknowledge the Corn.

New York World.

Nebraska's corn crop this year, now safe, will be 500,000,000 bushels. Corn is now being marketed in the United States worth \$90,000,000. It is pleasant to feel that the "crime of 1873" is not blighting Nebraska to any calamitous extent.

Downfall of Base Ball.

Down goes base ball. President Johnson of the Western league, in reviewing the past season, writes: "Our patronage has fallen far short of the standard established in previous years. To the thoughtful mind, it is a sad reflection on the national game base to a certain degree lost its hold upon the public." The cause of the decline may be stated as rum, rowdism and rebellion.

Expansion of the Navy.

Kansas City Star.

The navigation bureau of the United States navy has issued a list of 312 vessels in the navy. This includes many small vessels, but the list is complete and the Philippines, but altogether it is the showing of a great navy, such as the United States never possessed before—with more ships to build. The American navy inherits high traditions. It is flushed with victory and is a sufficient for any duty which may be imposed upon it. It should be amply able to co-operate with the fleet we are forming in the island of Luzon and make the war for the supremacy of the United States in its own dominions a short one.

Wealth Put to Good Use.

Much Good Accomplished by a Man Worth Millions.

Baltimore American.

The owner of a large fortune is necessarily exposed to much criticism. He has been called a miser, a hoarder, a miser and the whole world asks "What will he do with it?" If he gives liberally to charitable objects, the conclusion is that he has interested motives and wishes to make his name resound through the land; if he gives nothing, the conclusion is that he is miserly and his money is hoarded. This means that he hunts trouble for himself and others by refusing to audit some just claim, setting up his own self-professed knowledge against that of much able men than he.

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BRIEF BITS OF FUSION POLITICS.

Beaver City Tribune: There is a growing suspicion that C. J. Smyth's hatred of the trusts is always exhausted in the fling-of-the-information stage.

Lyons Sun: Holcomb conspired with others to defeat the will of the people and to elect a man who had no office to which he had not been elected. Is such a man fit for the supreme bench?

St. Paul Republican: Some of the populists who are just beginning to recover from the spell into which they were thrown by "Coin" Harvey are anxiously inquiring what will become of their delusions in the "educational" campaign fund.

Wayne Herald: When St. Holcomb gets through with Nebraska this year, with the thermometer turned upside down, he'll wonder what became of that 18,000 majority he once had. No \$20 per month will save his office. House rent is too dear.

Filmora Chronicle: The late fusion conventions talked a lot about "government ownership of railroads" but fought shy of the issue of state control. Was it because of the fact that the three fake secretaries of the State Board of Transportation were being leading parts in the three conventions?

Winnipeg Free Press: Why was the suit begun against Joe Bartley's first term bondsmen never pushed to trial? Because a judgment against those bondsmen for the \$265,000 sued for would have been a conviction of Governor Smith. It would be a second time for the same crime, negligence of his official duties.

Tekamah Herald: Before the pops got into office in this state their principal wall was a reduction in freight rates. Do you hear anything about it now? The rates are just as high now as they were before the pops went into the state house. Their howl for a reduction in rates was only their method of farming the farmer.

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