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The little boy, according to the analogy of the case, will in less than twelve months become an old man, his place to be taken in turn by another little boy who will grow to a very old age in only a year's time.

The Omaha Bee says that it was to be expected under the circumstances that Arizona would give a democratic majority at its first state election, held December 12th. "Was to be expected under the circumstances" is a good way of putting it, but the Bee fails to explain to its readers what the circumstances were. Before the election the republican leaders of Arizona lined up with the Taft administration that compelled the voters of the new state to take the provision of recall of judges out of their constitution, besides doing a good many other things offensive to the progressive sentiment of the country. On the other hand the Arizona democrats lined up with the progressive sentiment of the day with the result that they swept the state, electing the entire state ticket and forty-five of the fifty-four members of the state legislature. There will be fifty-four members of the first state legislature of Arizona, nineteen senators and thirty-five representatives. Four of the senators elected are republicans and fifteen democrats. While there are only five of the state representatives republicans there are thirty democratic representatives. And this in a commonwealth that at one time was claimed as republican.

FARMERS' STRAW VOTE

La Follette Gets 65 Per Cent of Republican Vote and Wilson 57 Per Cent of Democratic

FARMERS ARE PROGRESSIVES

It is an old saying that straws show which way the wind blows. A straw vote is a vote taken at any time and in any way, other than an official vote, to show the trend of public sentiment. Such a vote almost invariably creates a good deal of interest, especially among people who are given to prognosticating election results. The Herald will mention such vote-taking occasionally, as a matter of news and to gratify the curiosity of its readers, but we do not wish to be understood as necessarily endorsing the candidacy of those who may happen to receive the best of it in any straw vote. We are frank to say that, for the republican nomination, Senator La Follette is pre-eminently the man who ought to receive it, but on the democratic side we are not so pronounced in our opinion as to which is the best of the several candidates that have thus far been prominently mentioned.

A canvass made by Farm and Home, a widely read farm paper, has established that its farmer readers want La Follette and Woodrow Wilson to be the presidential candidates.

A total of 4,115 farmers voted on the republican presidential candidate. Of these, 2, 690 were for La Follette, 1,062 for Taft, and 363 for Roosevelt.

La Follette, therefore, received 65 per cent of the votes, Taft 25 per cent, and Roosevelt 10 per cent. La Follette led heavily in every section and even in Ohio had more than twice as many votes as Taft. Only in Maine and Connecticut did Taft lead.

A total of 3,826 votes were cast for the democratic nominee. Of these 2,196, or 57 per cent, went to Wilson; Clark got 730, or 19 per cent; Harmon, 306, or 8 per cent. 594 votes were scattered, Bryan figuring more than any other man.

Wilson led in about the same ratio throughout the country. Harmon was weak everywhere, Wilson leading him even in Ohio.

The vote was practically unanimous in all sections of the country for the initiative, referendum, recall and direct election of senators.

Eighty-one per cent of the farmers voted for a lower tariff. Fifty-five per cent were against reciprocity with Canada.

The rural residents are practically a unit for parcels post, since 95 per cent of them demand it.

ANOTHER STRAW VOTE

La Follette and Bryan Favorites with Adams County Voters

The Hastings Nebraska Daily Republican is taking a straw vote from its readers. The first 302 votes cast were as follows: Bryan, 102; La Follette, 92; Roosevelt, 60; Berger, 24; Wilson, 20; Folk, 4.

The readers of the Republican do not seem to know that William Howard Taft is a candidate for re-election to the high office of president of the United States; at least they

do not seem to be enthusiastically in favor of his re-election, as he is not in the first choice of any of those voting.

NEW OFFICERS GO IN TODAY

County Affairs Continue in Charge of Competent Officials

At the close of business last evening the terms of office of all but four of the Box Butte county officials expired. These four are the county attorney, two county commissioners and county assessor. Those whose terms of office expired were county clerk, treasurer, sheriff, coroner, surveyer, superintendent, judge and one commissioner. Of these five were re-elected: Cal M. Cox, sheriff; Delia M. Read, superintendent; L. A. Berry, judge; Dr. Chas. E. Slagle, coroner; F. E. Hamblin, surveyer. The officials elected in November who assume the duties of their offices today are Monte S. Hargraves, county clerk; Edgar M. Martin treasurer; Cal Hashman, commissioner. It is the opinion of The Herald that Box Butte county's officials, as a whole, will compare favorably with those of any other county. We believe them to be competent and expect an administration the coming year that will be generally satisfactory to the citizens and tax payers of the county.

TELEPHONE METER INVENTION

Press the Button and Start Clock Which Times Conversation

If an invention of E. H. Martin of Phoenix, Arizona, should come into general use it will revolutionize the present method of transacting the telephone business.

Instead of phone subscribers being charged a fixed amount for the service rendered without any limitations as to the number of calls made or the duration of each call, the service will be measured and paid for according to meter readings, the same as one pays for his gas, water and electric juice.

In fact Mr. Martin's invention is nothing more or less than a telephone meter. It is constructed with a regular watch movement that counts up to 9999 minutes, recording them automatically. The intent of the machine is to correct abuses of the telephone by parties not entitled to its use, as well as to provide for the payment of just the amount of service given to those entitled to it.

A careful count of calls in one office for two weeks, it is claimed, showed the remarkable result of 25 per cent of all calls passing over the board in twenty-four hours from spongers, 50 per cent unnecessary calls, the other 25 per cent being legitimate business. If this 75 per cent of unprofitable business can be cut down it stands to reason that the service will be much more prompt and 75 per cent of the "line busy" will be cut out, 75 per cent of consumption of battery saved, 75 per cent less wear and tear on the apparatus, 75 per cent of a saving in the valuable line of the busy man, and last but not least, the small user will not be compelled to pay for the large user as at present.

In order to attach the invention to a telephone (any make or system) it is only necessary to take off the present receiver and connect the new one in its place. When you place the receiver to your ear you can't hear anything (being cut off the line) until you push a button, when you push this button you do three things—first, wind it, second, start it, and third, cut yourself on the line. There is a set screw in the meter which will set it anywhere from three minutes up to ten minutes, when it will cut you off the line, and if you wish to talk longer you have to let go of the button and push it again. For instance, if the meter is set to three minutes you have automatic notice that you have talked your limit on toll lines.

If you only talk a quarter of a minute that is all that is charged to you, or if you talk five times in a day a quarter of a minute each time you will have only been charged with one minute and a quarter; in fact the meter registers as low as one-tenth of a minute.

HEMINGFORD

Fred Melle was a passenger to Alliance Wednesday, where he went to meet his wife and little daughter, who came in from Bennett, Nebr., where she has been visiting her parents for some time past.

Pete Jensen was an Alliance passenger Thursday, returning on 43 Friday.

Mrs. Frank Potmesl came up from Alliance Thursday on 43 for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Britton, and other relatives.

Bert Hughes left on 44 Thursday for his homestead in Iowa, after a two weeks' visit with his mother and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Glass left on 44 Friday, after a few days' visit at the home of C. J. Wildy.

Mrs. James Hollinrake came in on 43 Saturday from Alliance. She reports Mr. Foster as being very low at the Alliance hospital, where he was taken for treatment last week.

Mrs. Frank Cahs was a passenger to Alliance Thursday, returning Friday on 43.

Henry Gromet and Miss Julia Nagelschneider, accompanied by Mrs. John Gromet and Frank Uhrig, went to Alliance last Thursday, where Mr. Gromet and Miss Nagelschneider were married. The wedding party returned on 43 Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Gromet will live on the Dent Piper farm, where Mr. Gromet has been living for the past year.

Ira Scribner was an incoming passenger on 43 Friday.

Wm. Evans came in from Alliance Friday, where he has been for the past few days on business.

Mrs. Chris Hansen spent a few days the last of the week at Merrill, Nebr.

C. E. Wiltsey was a passenger to Alliance Friday, returning on 43 on Saturday.

Alex Muirhead was an incoming passenger on 44 Saturday from the west, where he was looking after business matters a few days the last of the week.

John Armstrong left Sunday on 44 for Lincoln, where he will attend school until spring.

Ole Hedgecock went down to Alliance Saturday, returning Sunday. A lady friend accompanied him home for a few days' visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hedgecock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Price and Mr. and Mrs. George Carroll spent Sunday at the home of Bert Mart.

Orville Kidwell and wife, Fred Abley and wife, and Ed Wildy and wife spent New Year's day at the home of C. J. Wildy.

Gertrude and Alex Olds, Lee Lloyd and Charles Russell, and Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Canfield took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Melick on New Year's day.

Ether Geiger spent a few days the last of the week with friends at Marsland, returning on 43 Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutton came in on 43 Monday from Iowa, where they have been visiting for the past month.

Mrs. Emil Rockey came in on 43 Saturday from Michigan, where she has been spending the past six weeks with her mother.

Mrs. H. L. Bushnell and daughter, Mrs. Canfield, were passengers to Alliance on 44 Tuesday, returning on 43 Wednesday.

C. S. West was a business passenger to Alliance on 44 Tuesday, returning on 43 the next day.

Miss Florence Godfrey was an incoming passenger on 43 Tuesday.

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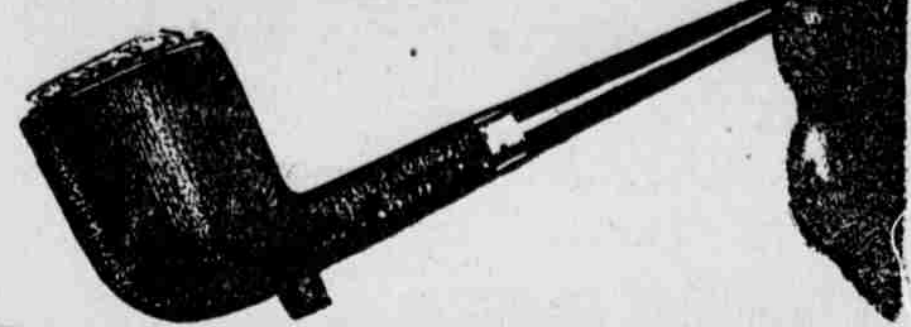
Since the last writup we have had some very cold weather. In some places the thermometer registered 12 degrees below zero, but though the weather has been severe stock has stood it well.

Last Monday was Christmas and there were several social gatherings here. All remembered it was the time of good cheer.

Saturday morning of last week George Wright and wife and three children and Uncle John Underwood

No Pipe Dream About This.

YOU MAY JUST PUT IT IN YOUR PIPE AND SMOKE IT--TO WIT, THAT THE REAL GOBLIN THAT WILL GET YOU IF YOU DON'T WATCH OUT IS THE GREAT BIG MAIL ORDER GOBLIN. THIS COMMERCIAL GOBLIN HAS GOT THE BULK OF THE BUSINESS IN MANY COMMUNITIES, TO THE DETRIMENT OF THOSE COMMUNITIES. IF YOU REALLY ARE LOYAL TO HOME YOU WILL PATRONIZE HOME PEOPLE IN BUSINESS.



arrived in Alliance from Clinton, for a visit at the home of G. H. Hagaman. Mrs. Wright is a sister of Mrs. Hagaman.

There was a family gathering at the home of J. C. Hawkins on Christmas day. Those present were Geo. Clark and family, John Wright, wife and children, and Aunt Anne Goodwin of Alliance. All report a good time.

Another Christmas dinner was at the home of Geo. Hagaman. Those present were near relatives and friends of the Hagaman family.

Miss Lizzie Coker is in the sand hills, at the home of O. E. Hagaman, helping Mrs. Hagaman while Otto is away baling and hauling hay to Alliance.

Albert Hagaman is visiting at the home of his brother, G. H. Hagaman, having come from Halsey a week ago to spend the holidays. Albert is a homesteader near Halsey and says it is rather lonesome work holding down a claim five years alone. Some of these old maids and widows better take pity on the lonely bachelor.

Last Tuesday a jolly crowd gathered at the home of Geo. Hagaman, and although the weather was very cold they had a good time. Those present were J. C. Hawkins and wife, O. E. Hagaman, wife and baby, Miss Lizzie Coker, W. S. Coker and wife, and Geo. Wright and wife and three children, and Albert Hagaman and Uncle Johnnie Underwood.

There was a Christmas dinner at the home of W. S. Coker. Those present were Mr. Powell, Albert Hagaman, Miss Lizzie Coker, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Hagaman and baby.

There was a social dance at the home of Cal Lammon on Christmas night. Everybody had a good time.

Sy Coker was helping Mr. Englehorn butcher hogs Thursday.

The Geo. Hagaman home seems to be a very sociable place, from the number of gatherings there in the past week. Thursday G. G. Clark, wife and children, John Wright and wife and children, Aunt Sarah Underwood and Aunt Malley spent the day there and report a good time.

December 18, 1911. Cal Deerr and San Yoe went to Alliance Monday. Ed Randall accompanied them, taking the train from that place for Pierre, S. D.

Wauneta Conrad is on the sick list this week.

Joe Deerr returned home Monday from the ditch.

Nora McLean visited Miss Vera Horn at the Bert Miller home on Thursday evening.

Dan McLean went to Bayard Friday.

December 25th. The old law says that when the

days begin to lengthen the cold begins to strengthen. It is true with a vengeance this time.

The Christmas tree entertainment at the Malinda school house Saturday was attended by a large crowd, and the teacher, Miss Vera Horn, and her pupils deserve much credit for such an excellent program.

The weather has been too cold to get our items to the post office regularly.

SPOTTED TAIL ITEMS

Pete Watson and Bernard Noble went to the ranch Tuesday to bring his cattle down to their farm under the ditch to feed them.

Rev. Ramsey and wife took dinner with Pete Watson and wife on New Year's day.

Pete Watson was at the ranch a few days ago, vaccinating calves.

Chas. Haskins and Bert Hoy are busy putting up ice.

Barnard Noble and Elmer Casson brought in a large coyote New Year's day.

Leona Noble went to Hemingford last Wednesday to visit with the family of Dan Watson for a few days.

The Ladies' Aid gave an oyster supper and sale of their goods Saturday evening. On account of the cold weather and other entertainments close by the attendance was small.

N. P. Collins brought his cattle from his ranch down to the Taylor place two and one-half miles northeast of Mitchell to feed them hay this winter.

Bernard Noble fell through a large window Saturday evening and received a severe gash in the head. Bernard says the next time he puts his spurs on he will keep away from the window.

FLOUR! FLOUR!

Another car of Diamond and Pearl flour, meal, graham, buckwheat and breakfast food at the Farmers' store. Special prices to ranchmen and all, in five hundred pound lots. J. J. KEENEN. Phone 697.

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