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SPEAKING OF PARTY HARMONY

Political newspapers are teeming with editorials on the subject of party harmony, while their news columns contain stories of conferences of party leaders endeavoring to pacify warring factions. With the republican party split wide open, two antagonistic factions striving for supremacy in the democratic party, and a serious division in the new progressive party, it looks like "party solidarity" is an unknown quantity this year.

If the progressive party in Nebraska polls a considerable vote this year, drawing principally from the republican party and leaving it about the same numerically as the democratic party in the state, the one of those two parties that comes the nearest to hanging together at the election stands the best show of copping the offices. And right here is where the federal patronage at the disposal of the democratic administration may prove a great disadvantage to the party in Nebraska, and possibly in some other states.

Wise party leaders, who are looking out for the elective offices, advocate mutual concessions from the opposing factions of the party in order to bring about a condition that will at least make victory at the polls a possibility. But there are others who have eyes on the federal pie and their appetites for it whetted to a state of desperation. They believe, whether correctly or not The Herald cannot say, that the recommendations of those who have control of the party machinery will be accepted and adopted when the time comes to appoint new postmasters and other government officials in this state. Hence they are more anxious to name the party's committeemen than they are to elect the party's nominees.

We have a concrete illustration of this in Box Butte county. Here, as in some other places, there are two distinct factions in the democratic party, which according to present day political verbiage may be termed "progressive" and "reactionary". Altho the reactionary element has control of the party machinery at present, it is reasonable to suppose that a majority of the rank and file of the party thruout the county are progressive. Democrats of the surrounding counties, since the present alignment within the party, have been sending progressive delegations to the state conventions. It is fair to suppose that the average Box Butte county democrat does not differ much from the average democrat of neighboring counties. But the democrats of this county as a whole had nothing to do with electing the present county organization.

Speaking of party harmony, that thought did not seem to have entered the heads of the eight men who named Wm. Mitchell as chairman of the county central committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. S. Ridgell. Now The Herald does not think that even those eight men all wish to be known as reactionaries. We have reasons for thinking that some of them submitted to Mr. Mitchell's appointment, rather than put up a fight against a cut and dried program; but the fact remains that his appointment did anything else but bring about party harmony in this county.

In our opinion a more reactionary democrat than Wm. Mitchell cannot be found in northwestern Nebraska or one more offensive to progressive voters. For a democratic nominee to be under known obligations to him will mean the defeat, in all probability, of that candidate in this county. The Herald regrets this, as there will be some democratic candidates for county offices that we would like to see elected, and while they are not responsible for the selection of so unpopular a man as nominal head of the party in Box Butte county, there is danger that some voters will charge his selection up to them.

The call for a democratic county convention, signed by Wm. Mitchell as chairman of the county central committee, is printed on this page. The copy for this notice was not furnished The Herald by Mr. Mitchell but was clipped from The Alliance Times. In point of circulation, The Herald is the leading progressive democratic paper of northwestern Nebraska and the only one of the kind in Box Butte county. Judged by the position it occupies, The Alliance Times may be said to be the leading standpat republican paper of this part of the state and the only one of the kind in this county. The calibre of the chairman of the democratic county central committee, and the strength of his desire for party harmony, is shown by the fact that while furnishing copy of the notice for publication to the standpat republican paper, he utterly ignores the progressive democratic competitor of that paper.

The legislature of Colombia knows a good thing when it sees it, for it has just ratified the treaty between that country and this. Whether or not this country ratifies it remains to be seen.

Nine battles out of ten are won by patience and determination. It is almost impossible to permanently defeat the man who will not give up and who with patience goes on his way.

Politics and business do not mix together very well. The trouble with the so-called Lorimer banks of Chicago seems to be a case in point. Such a partnership usually ends in failure for both.

Life is not to be measured by wealth, social position, or even culture, but by character. The character that is positive, making itself felt in ways that help other people into a better and more useful life is character that spells true success.

The general strikes in Italy and other European countries fall in one very vital way—they never become general. A general strike must become general if it is to win, and of that there never seems to be much prospect.

Don't waste a lot of valuable time in mourning over some mistake. The thing is done and it has passed beyond your reach. Go on, and in going on take care not to repeat the mistake, and be on guard against others.

It always follows that when an investigation is on as to some trust or railroad many of the principal witnesses are taken ill and cannot testify, or their memory becomes seriously impaired. How is one to account for it?

The advocates of woman suffrage have won an important victory in the decision of the Illinois supreme court that the woman suffrage act of that state is constitutional. True the decision was by a majority vote and along party lines, but all the same it clears the atmosphere in Illinois and is generally welcomed as the natural settlement of a question which has agitated political life in that state for many years. The decision is bound to have considerable influence on the movement in other states, and also in other countries, because Illinois is the most populous state in the Union to give the ballot to women. To be sure the constitution will have to be amended in order to confer full suffrage on women but that in time will be certain to come.

The fertility of imagination of the war correspondents who sit and write in the quiet offices of their newspapers is really wonderful. Their imagination was not surpassed by Dean Swift when he wrote Gulliver's Travels. It is a great thing to have so vivid a mind.

Now is the time when the wealthy man at his desk in the city has visions of the swimming hole in which he spent many a happy hour as a boy and wishes he were a boy again. Not all his wealth and clipping of cou-

pons can give him one-half of the joy he had when a youngster.

BREAKING UP LARGE ESTATES

A full page of advertisements in the London Times lists noblemen's estates for sale in England and Scotland. The gentry are evidently taking to heart the new land projects of Lloyd George and the British government, and that is a good thing for everybody. The accumulation of large estates and turning them into deer forests and game preserves has resulted in forcing from the land the peasantry and small farmers. This has had a bad social and financial effect on country life in England and Scotland and has compelled thousands of honest and industrious people to go into the already congested cities or to emigrate.

The land reform proposed by the government is evidently coming and the large landed proprietors are reading to good purpose the handwriting on the wall. They don't like it, of course, but there is no help for them and so the prospect is good that within a few years large tracts now devoted to deer, grouse, and pheasants may be reoccupied by sturdy yeomen farmers, who have ever been the backbone of rural life, and by sturdy plodding peasants who will rejoice in a living wage and decent cottages instead of the starvation wage and miserable hovels in which the majority now live.

There is in all this a lesson that may well be considered in our own land. Large capitalists with their immense wealth are adding acre to acre with such rapidity that their estates are already huge in size. This may add to their pleasure but it is not good for the land. Then, too, the increase of large farms and the increase of tenant farmers, is far from beneficial to the countryside.

"WE ARE PASSING OUT OF UNCERTAINTY"

One of the constructive business leaders of New York City is Irving T. Bush, the man who is responsible for the Bush Terminal facilities. When Mr. Bush speaks, he always says something. Whether his comment is favorable or unfavorable, it always possesses the stamp of original thinking. Mr. Bush said a few days ago:

"A great deal depends upon crops and confidence. So far as crops are concerned, the Almighty seems to be a Democrat this year; and we are at least passing out of a period of uncertainty. Whether we like the tariff or currency changes or not, we now know what they are, and will soon know who will direct the new banking machine. Present evidence points to able men. We will soon have a decision in the application for an advance in the railroad rates. If the decision be favorable, some of our most pessimistic friends will lose their best argument. If unfavorable, the railroad officials can save the price of their hotel accommodations in Washington, and get busy handling the crops. We have a pretty definite idea what form the new trust legislation will take, and it does not seem very terrible to any but the 'Get-rich-quick Wallingfords' of the nation. When these factors—tariff, currency, crops, trust legislation, and railroad rates—have passed the realm of uncertainty we will have little left to worry us."

THE PRESIDENT'S POWER

Senator Cummins says the President has obliterated Congress. Of course, the Senator, when he makes that assertion, must be regarded as a political opponent of the President and due allowance should be made for the fact that he will not go out of his way to support the administration in anything, but making allowance for the exaggeration, what is the reason for the undoubted fact that the President is powerful?

One perfectly evident reason is that the President is the leader of a dominant political party. If that party is to accomplish anything it must follow a leader, and the majority is loyally following the President on all party measures. What is interpreted as the power of the President, therefore, has behind it the power of an organized and disciplined party. The dominance of the President's views is none the less galling to Republicans and Progressives because its strength is really party strength, but it is a very different thing from personal domination. It is also a much wholesomier thing, because in the long run the President cannot command the strength of the party without the assent of the voters who make up the party.

Everyone knows that if the members of congress believed the President was urging a course contrary to the wishes of the people they would not follow him. Their duty and their political futures would combine to force a different course upon them, and if they could not make the President see things their

way they would desert him, and the administration would find itself as lonesome as President Taft was in the last days of his tenure of office.—St. Louis Y. Republic.

Lloyd's Column

Now that the big convention is over with, Alliance business men can replenish their stocks, give the clerks a holiday, and begin preparations for caring for a big business this fall. The outlook for Box Butte county is great—plenty of rain and crops coming along fine. Can you beat it?

It seems that some men are never satisfied unless they are doing crooked work. This class of men, when they have plenty to keep them busy, are not so much bother to honest people, but when they are short on work, are like a rattlesnake in a hen house. We should be thankful that the supply of troublemongers and men of this class is small in Alliance. The reputation and character of those here is so well known that they act as an antidote for their own bite.

Alliance has a world champion. Dwight Zediker, in the relay racing contest at the fair grounds Saturday afternoon, beat the Irwin Brothers man good and fair. This man, who won the international relays at Winnipeg last year, held the title of world champion. Dwight has been improving every year. Give him the highest class horses and there will be no competition for him at all.

Why not have a "Go to Church" Sunday in Alliance? This movement has been tried with good results in all the large cities of the country. Set aside one Sunday for everyone to attend church—let them choose their own church but see that everyone goes.

Chadron and her sister Northwestern towns showed the true fraternal spirit by coming down in full force to attend the convention. On Friday automobiles from nearly every town in western Nebraska could be seen on the Alliance streets. The town certainly had a metropolitan appearance.

Here's to the traveling men of Alliance. During the convention they conducted a dance in Gadsby hall which was a model of good management, clearing up a nice sum as profit, for the treasury. On Saturday morning they made a great showing, dressed in white trousers, blue coats and white caps. With the governor at the head and every man keeping step, they made an imposing sight. They won two prizes in the parade.

Smile und der vorldt schmilts mit you.

Laugh und der vorldt vill roar; Howl und der vorldt vill leave you. Und never come back no more. Not all of us could'n't been handsome.

Not all of us haf goot clothes; But a schmile is not expensive, Und it covers a vorldt of woes. —Keystone Traveler.

"I took a long walk yesterday," said Boreman, as he collapsed into a seat at Busyman's desk.

"Take another, old man," suggested Busyman; "it'll do us both good." —Puck.

Now is the time
The small boy sneaks
Away to ponds
And winding creeks,
And when back home
He doth return

It's not the sun
That makes him burn.
—Florida Sunshine.

"Father," said a small boy, "what is a demagogue?"

"A demagogue, my son, is a man who can rock the boat himself and persuade everybody that there's a terrible storm at sea."—Woman's Journal.

Tommy—"Father, what's the future of the verb 'invest'?"

Father (a congressman)—"Investigation." — Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

She—"But it's awfully cold in the house. The fire is out."
He (absently)—"Good! We'll be alone."—Cornell Widow.

Uncle was talking to a single lady who is property owner and lives next door.

"Expenses keep piling up on me," she complained. "A broken hose cost me \$5 just last week."

"Served you right!" growled Uncle.

"What did you mean by that? My hose was—"

"You don't need to tell me. Your hose was broken and you lost the five. Why in thunder, Madam, don't you put your money in the bank instead of carrying it around that way!"—Sales Sense.

"I see Bill has fitted his car with a new siren."

"Yes; good-looking, too."—Harvard Lampon.

There is no rest save sleep and death
For us whom Destiny is driving;
Until the last and feeble breath
Some part of every man is striving.

The tireless muscles of the strong,
The mental workings of the clever
Unite, as we are swept along,
In one grand purpose of endeavor.

The idle day and idle dream
Are for the dotard and the fool;
The salmon flashes up the stream;
The coarse carp fattens in the pool.

Striving we live, and, striving, shun
The dull content that would enslave us;
And glory, ere the day is done,
Is that unrest the Master gave us.

By William F. irk.

An automobile party was far out in the country when the chauffeur found he needed lubricating oil. He drove up to a farm house where a small boy was playing.

"Son!" he called, "run and ask your mother if she has any lubricating oil; or castor oil will do if she has that."

Soon teh boy returned and said: "Ma ain't got no castor oil, or nothin', but she said if you would wait a few minutes she would fix you up a dose of salts."

"You amaze me, Bill," said the visitor in ansas. "Is it possible to make a living on such land as this, and in such a climate?"

"It surely it. I have had a great deal more out of it than a mere living."

"I am glad to hear that, and you must have laid by something for a rainy day."

"T'e owner smiled. "I've done better than that," he explained. "With the help of an occasional rainy day, I have contrived to lay by something for the dr ydays."

If those who whine would whistle,
And those who languish laugh,
The rose would rout the thistle,
The grain outrun the chaff.

Few men recognize good luck
When they meet it.

Political Cards

22 Years in Schools of Kansas and Nebraska. Principal Central School, Alliance



G. M. Burns

Candidate for Republican Nomination to office of Superintendent Box Butte County at Primary Election, Aug. 18, 1914.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of County Judge of Box Butte County, subject to the decision of the voters at the Primary Election to be held Tuesday, August 18, 1914.

SMITH P. TUTTLE.

29-aug18-3709

ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish to announce that I am a candidate for the nomination for county superintendent of schools on the Republican ticket at the primaries on August 18th. I have been connected with the Alliance schools for six years as eighth grade teacher. Your support is respectfully solicited.

MAME J. WHITE.

28-aug18

CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF OF GARDEN COUNTY

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Garden County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the coming primary on August 18th.

B. MEWHIRTER.

28-aug18-3680

FOR COUNTY TREASURER

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination for the office of County Treasurer of Box Butte county on the Republican ticket, subject to the decision of the voters at the Primary Election to be held Tuesday, August 18, 1914.

C. E. MARKS.

29-aug18-3710

CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF OF GARDEN COUNTY

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Garden County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the coming primary on August 18th.

B. MEWHIRTER.

28-aug18-3680

CALL FOR DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION

Notice is hereby given that there will be a convention of the democratic voters of Box Butte county, Nebraska, at the court house in Alliance, on Tuesday, July 7, 1914, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of electing a democratic county central committee, a chairman and secretary of same and electing six delegates to the democratic state convention to be held at Columbus, on July 28, 1914, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the convention.

Precinct committeemen are requested to hold their precinct conventions on Monday, July 6, 1914, to elect delegates to said county convention.

The several precincts are entitled to representation as follows, to-wit:
Alliance, first ward 8
Alliance, second ward 6
Boyd 3
Box Butte 4
Dorsey 6
Lake 3
Lawn 3
Liberty 3
Nonpareil 4
Runningwater 2
Snake Creek 2
Wright 4

WILLIAM MITCHELL,
Chairman Democratic County Central Committee.

A Tour of the East

Take advantage of the very attractive excursion rates this coming Summer applying over a complete circuit going one way, returning another that will include many of the most famous mountain and seashore localities of the East.

You may include the Adirondacks, the White Mountains, the St. Lawrence River Region, Lake George, Saratoga, Montreal, Quebec, Boston, New York, the Hudson River, the Ocean Trip to Newport News, the Jersey Coast, the Virginias, Washington, D. C.

Leave your name with me and let me secure for you some railroad and hotel literature that will describe the Summer journey you have in mind.



J. Kridelbaugh, TICKET AGENT, Alliance, Nebr.

L. W. WAKELY, General Passenger Agent,

Omaha, Nebr., 1004 Farnam Street