

THE NORTHWESTERN PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY AT THE COUNTY SEAT. GEO. E. BENSCHOTER, Editor and Publisher.

HITS THE NAIL ON THE HEAD

Seth P. Mobley, of the Grand Island Independent writes the most sensible article we have read for some time, and if the business men think as he does no doubt the whole community would be benefited by it.

It is for you, business men of the community, to say which condition we shall have, that of activity and life, or that of paralysis and death. Our destinies in that regard are in your hands.

It is your duty to give such institutions some of the distress that they are constantly proclaiming and predicting. If you would prosper you should avoid contributing to the promotion of the business paralysis.

Turn your face against and close your pocket book to the calamity shriekers. Will some good populist brother explain how it is that if, as they stated last year wheat and silver went hand in hand, now it is that wheat has gone up and silver has gone down?

Arcadia Milling Co. vs. Irrigation Company

Editor Day, of the Arcadia Champion seems to have a suspicion that his fellow townsman, J. G. Schaupp is in cahoots with the Sherman County Irrigation, Waterpower and Improvement Company regarding the present altercation between that company and the milling company at Arcadia.

Now to get to the point we will simply state that the said milling company has been tampering with the headgate and sand sluice of the said irrigation company. Neither this sand sluice or headgate is located on the milling company's ground, yet they have seen fit to close them by injunction and turn the water into the mill race without even entering into a contract with the irrigation company for the use of the water.

As stated in Secretary Mellor's letter, Mr. Schaupp entered into a contract with the ditch company while he operated the mill plant, and thereby honorably secured the waterpower for milling purposes; but the present management of the Arcadia mills have never applied to the ditch company for water privileges, although they have been given to understand that satisfactory arrangements could be made.

Under their injunction the milling company is claiming the ditch property from the river down to the mill, but they have no such right and as stated above did not even claim it in their foreclosure proceedings. It looks as though the claim is simply made at this time for the purpose of beating the irrigation company out of their right to obtain an honest water rent, and also to secure waterpower to run their plant without an obligation to pay legitimate expenses of operation.

If Champion is the champion of such a cause as this it will doubtless be laughed at until its "physic" operations will cease to fizz.

Mr. Day further says in his letter published last week: "What I do object to, however, and protest against, although the matter has not as yet been touched upon, is the attempt to tie up the plant and deprive Arcadia of a mill while a law suit drags its weary length through the courts." Now what evidence have you got, Mr. Day that an attempt was made to tie up the plant? Were you not given to understand by Secretary Mellor's letter, who represents said Sherman County Irrigation, Waterpower and Improvement Company, that if the management of the Arcadia mill applied for water rent they will be treated courteously and in a businesslike

manner?" Then again we would ask, who dragged this "weary" lawsuit into court? And could not a lawsuit have been averted had not said milling company felt disposed to do a square legitimate business with defendants in the above entitled cause?

All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration and answer. In your reply, however, it might be well for you to further consult Bob Johnson and get more substantial information on the subject. We are acquainted with the gentleman and know his failing for horse laughing and "physic" remedies. It is Bob's way of throwing light on dark spots. Probe him deeper, Mr. Day, and if possible get the clean kernels of truth. Bob ain't morally bad, but when he shuts one eye and employs attorney Abnett to close the other, it is hard for one to comprehend the true meaning of his expressions, more especially if he feels his anxious inquirers double doses of the above compound. Give Bob to understand that you don't need any more of his "physic" but want to know the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

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