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BUSINESS MAN OBJECTS

Hon. Gilbert M. Hitchcock, United States senator from Nebraska, addressed the voters of Sherman county at the opera house Tuesday evening, a good sized audience being present.

Before the patrons of the Garland theatre had time to leave their seats after the show Tuesday night, our local band began playing and quite a few who had come to see the pictures remained to hear an address by Gilbert M. Hitchcock, democratic candidate for re-election as United States senator.

While the speaker received quite a sendoff by our local democratic talent in the introductory remarks, it was evident from the lack of greeting applause that those in the audience, who were not women, who had remained over from the show, out of curiosity, were republicans.

The "report," as the talk was termed by the speaker, save for a few handclaps from those loyal ones "up stage," did not seem to awaken the audience to anything like a spirit of enthusiasm. Several times he endeavored to lead up to one of those tired psychological oratorical openings where the audience is supposed to fill in with deafening applause, only to finish his wait with a bow.

The "report" attempted to show that the present prices of food stuffs is something to shout with joy over and that all credit for same is due the democrats.

The first citation was to show the difference in the price of horses now as compared with that of four or five years ago. We wonder if democrats can get satisfaction in having a man stand up and try to gain votes with such childish prattle. Is there a man who knows anything at all about the conditions of the world market who would believe for one moment that these prices are due to a democratic administration? With agents from warring countries bidding against one another among us all the time, can a man who has been in the senate think people so blind? It does seem so, and more, for the price of food stuffs was next quoted, and the same comparison made of prices now and four years ago; and it was shown that everything had gone up in price higher and higher and that the democrats did it. Nothing was said or hinted that the now great worlds' war, taking boatload after boatload of these products away from our county was having any effect on the present price. Nothing like it was mentioned as a prime cause, only the democrats. But perhaps he considered the foreign buyers "democrats." Sometimes we wonder if they are.

The income tax and the great good brought to the Philippine Islands BY THE DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATION in the way of self-government and schools, etc. No mention was made of the years of labor in these islands by the republican party and the world-recognized ability of Mr. Taft, who went there and began the job in the face of opposition and criticism, and whose work was carried out by his party. Even most of the democrats settled down in their coat collars as with shame when the speaker used utterances smacking of deception, when he endeavored to make it appear that Theodore Roosevelt had so declared himself that had he been president the United States would have been at war.

We do not like deception of any sort and when it is so evident that a democrat smiles his understanding we feel that such attempts to gain or even retain votes will prove in vain. It is reported that Roosevelt said that the United States should not stand idly by and see any country ignore the agreement of the nations by marching through Belgium. Was that right?

We think it was and is the spirit that is just and right. If an agreement is to be worth anything more than the paper it is written on what SHOULD happen when any country breaks its part of the contract?

We believe from that statement the man could have had a healthy desire

for "peace" and a very high respect for an agreement which had been made for that very thing.

Again, we were informed that we were living in a great and prosperous country, that the eastern factories were running day and night (no mention of the war orders and what will happen when the shooting is over); we were told that the high cost of living is a thing to throw up our hat about, but nothing much was said about the great threatened strike which has happened in the midst of our prosperity and which scared the democratic lawmakers to their seats to prevent. All of this we were told; but for some reason not given out as yet, nothing at all, not one little word, was uttered about THE SPECIAL WAR STAMP TAX ACT put on to meet the awful democratic deficit and why now, just before election, IT HAS BEEN CALLED OFF.

But we did hear about "How Woodrow Wilson kept us out of war." Nothing is greater in our hearts than the desire for peace. But at Vera Cruz, shots were fired and men were killed. What is war? But we leave that to you, Mr. Reader. And surely we must not be reminded that our armed forces line the boundary lines of our country with another, and that the troops were sent there AFTER watchful waiting had failed and Americans had been killed in the meantime.

Right sometimes includes quick action and the man who must change his mind several times before a decision is reached might prove costly so that such a peaceful advocate who changes course does not favor preparedness, then turns to it, changes from watchful waiting to an armed force after great damage is done, sends soldiers into the other country on a mission and calls them back before they capture their man or perform the duty intended they should do. But the speaker referred to nothing like this. The zig-zag go-ahead and back-up system was pictured as a straight line toward everything which was right. Not at war? When our forces went to Vera Cruz we lost nineteen men, killed and, if we remember correctly, there were altogether 120 killed and wounded. Several hundred Mexicans were also killed and wounded. The objects for which we sent ships and troops to Vera Cruz was to get reparation for the insult to the flag. The reason for the great celerity demanded in dealing with the resolution was to stop the landing of a cargo of arms. If anyone knows what became of the reparation for the insult to the flag they still have it as a secret for no one seems to have heard of it. A cargo of arms, after a little zig-zag work, got by and landed the arms as desired.

Since the taking of Vera Cruz we have been fighting Mexican soldiers and American soldiers and citizens have been killed. Declared war could have done no more. But nothing of this. Now, however, as indicated in Maine, and other eastern states, this zig-zag policy had had its effect and the voters of the country are turning to Hughes as the man of decision and action.

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Mrs. Mads Lyhne came in Wednesday from Boelus to visit a few days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Willis came to Loup City Tuesday to visit a few days with relatives.

Clarence Peterson returned home Wednesday from Omaha, where he had been the past week.

Mrs. E. A. Shipley was a passenger to Sarrent Wednesday evening for a few days' visit with relatives.

Vallie Koeffler returned Wednesday evening to her home in Arcadia after having visited here a few days.

Miss Ruby Johnson went to Grand Island, Wednesday, where she will visit with her parents several days.

Mrs. L. Bechtold was a passenger to Grand Island, Wednesday noon to visit several days with her daughters.

Mrs. R. L. Arthur left Wednesday morning for Lincoln and St. Joseph, to purchase her winter stock of dry goods.

Mrs. Annie Kmeck and Miss Valaia Zelinsky went to Central City to visit a few days with relatives, Wednesday morning.

R. F. Campbell returned home on Monday evening from Omaha, where he had been the past few days visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Polski, who have been here visiting with their son, L. B. Polski, and family, returned to their home at Ashton, Wednesday.

M. D. Payne has installed a barber chair and fixtures at the Central Pool hall. Mr. Payne is from Omaha and formerly ran a barber shop at Ashton.

Mrs. A. B. Outhouse arrived home Wednesday from Lincoln, where she had been visiting with her daughter, Alberta, who is attending school at that place.

Last Tuesday, while playing football, John Brown was struck on the nose causing it to be broken. Dr. Bowman dressed the wound and he is getting along fine.

BOY HIT BY AUTO.

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TO THE VOTERS OF SHERMAN COUNTY.

I was nominated at the primary on the republican ticket for treasurer of Sherman County.

I will endeavor to see as many of the voters as I can but as it is impossible for me to see all of you personally, I take this means of asking



each and every voter for his vote and support.

I will not only appreciate your vote and support but will do my very best if elected as your treasurer, to please you and to give you a most efficient and careful administration of your affairs as treasurer of your county.

Thanking you very kindly for your vote and support, I am,

Yours sincerely,
D. C. GROW.

CHURCH NOTES.

Methodist.

Last Sunday was a good day with us. There were 217 at Sunday school. That was fine. Everybody stay next Sunday and make it bigger. Mr. Williams led a very interesting Epworth League meeting. More of our young people ought to be there next Sunday at 6:30.

The official board spent a social evening at the parsonage Tuesday night. We had a fine time adopting plans for the immediate future. The pastor and wife enjoyed the congenial company of these leaders in the church. A program prepared by the pastor was heartily and unanimously voted. Everybody will soon have something they will be glad to do.

Romeo C. Conger was elected treasurer of the budget fund and Mrs. Edgar Foster treasurer of the benevolences. Mr. Conger is secretary of the official board and H. J. Johansen was elected vice chairman. The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Geo. McFadden Wednesday afternoon.

Sermon by the pastor next Sunday at 10:30 o'clock. Subject, "Love Tests." At 7:30 o'clock, subject, "Hitting the Mark." We want the atmosphere of each service to be that of a family reunion. Let us each contribute something to make the spirit of our gatherings homelike. We will be glad to welcome the public at all services. Let us have continued loyalty, enthusiasm and appreciation in all of our fellowships. Pray for the preacher. He needs your help and wants it.

Presbyterian.

The pastor will preach on Sunday morning at 10:30 and Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The morning subject will be, "Sin, its Deceitfulness." The members of the church are urged to be present, and all who have no regular church home are cordially invited.

ORGANIZED ATHLETICS.

A county athletic association will be organized at the office of County Superintendent Currier on Saturday evening, October 14. The membership of the association will be limited to the schools of Sherman county. Field meets and also indoor events are planned for in the near future. In addition to the county association it is planned to organize another athletic club with membership open to all. A great deal of enthusiasm is being manifested and a good attendance is expected at the initial meeting to be held at the county superintendent's office on Saturday evening at seven o'clock.

RECEPTION FOR TEACHERS.

On Friday evening, October 13, a reception will be given by the Protestant churches for the teachers of the Loup City schools. The reception will be held in the basement of the Presbyterian church, and the public is most cordially invited to attend. The teachers will be greeted by J. W. Long and Superintendent C. U. Bitner will respond. Mrs. Elizabeth Owen will give a musical selection and others will contribute to the program, after which refreshments will be served.

PROHIBITION TALK.

A temperance lecture of unusual merit was given at the high school auditorium last Monday evening by Dr. J. D. M. Buckner of Aurora. Dr. Buckner is a pleasing and forceful speaker and brought many points out with good effects. He was greeted by a large and very attentive audience. Several selections were rendered by the Loup City band before the speaking.

ROCKVILLE HAPPENINGS.

R. W. Sundstrom went to Omaha on Monday afternoon of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Dwehus returned from Omaha, Friday last week.

Mrs. R. W. Sundstrom went to Omaha on the morning motor, Wednesday.

Olaf Nelson and Peter Jensen, of Boelus, were in this burg on business Thursday.

Wm. Karel, of Ravenna, was a Rockville visitor Thursday forenoon of this week.

L. A. Williams, the county sheriff, was a Rockville visitor on business on Wednesday.

Peter Jensen, Olaf Nelson and E. Dwehus autoed to Loup City Thursday on business.

Jungle Bros. from Ravenna are going to furnish the music for the dance tomorrow (Saturday) evening.

Peter Jensen went to Omaha Friday last week, returning again on Monday with a new Grand six car.

Garret Lorenz, of Ashton, democratic candidate for county treasurer, was a Rockville visitor, Wednesday.

The Earl C. Brink motion picture show is showing pictures in the opera house on the forepart of this week.

Elmer Strom returned from Omaha Tuesday forenoon, where he had been to visit friends and to take in the Ak-Sar-Ben.

Miss Alice Tangerman is reported as being on the sick list this week. School was discontinued in her room Wednesday.

Chris Nielson, L. C. Weaver, S. E. Sorensen and W. R. Henkens autoed to Loup City in the latter's car on Thursday.

Don't forget the public dance in the opera house next Saturday the 14th. The senior class of the Rockville high school will serve a midnight supper.

The basket-social which was held in the opera house last Friday evening by the school, was quite well attended and everyone seemed to have had a good time. Before the social started the school rendered the audience a program which they had prepared. It was very good. After supper the remaining young people danced for a short while.

OLD LANDMARK GONE

Another of the old landmarks of Loup City has been removed in the wrecking of the A. C. Ogle garage, to make room for the modern building that will replace it. At the time it was built it, too, was modern, but with the swift strides of time, it passed from what was once a modern botelry to a shelter for the more modern vehicle.

The St. Elmo hotel, so named by Mrs. Krichbaum, was erected by C. L. Drake in the year 1886. The lumber for the building was hauled from Kearney and sold by J. D. Ford, who was then in the lumber business, it being the last bill of lumber ever sold in Loup City by Mr. Ford. The building of the old hotel when Mr. Drake was manager, who will recall times that they were guests of the house. In 1899, the same year that what is now the grade school was built, Mr. Drake sold the St. Elmo to Tony Erazim. Mrs. Gus Lorentz's father, who leased it to George Hotchkins, who managed it for about two years.

Mr. Hotchkins then sold the lease and furnishings of the hotel to Rufus Wilson, who was landlord for about a year. Mr. Erazim then took charge of his property himself and conducted the business for about two years, then leasing it to Jack Harper. Mr. Harper managed it for two years and sold his lease and furniture to C. E. Lundy, who had charge of it for five or six years, then disposing of it to Ernie Milburn, who was the landlord until the erection of the Frederick in 1913, when the old St. Elmo was purchased by A. C. Ogle, who, since that time has used it for his auto business until an ever-increasing patronage made it imperative that Mr. Ogle have more room.

Such is the history of the old St. Elmo, as related to the writer by several of the old timers of Loup City. The old building was the scene of many occurrences and events, some of which are history and some that probably will never be told to any great extent.

Every Nebraska town now has or has had just such buildings—old landmarks that are almost sacred in the hearts of the men who took pride in their erection at the time and wipe away a tear of regret for their destruction. They call back the memories of the bygone days when the pioneers toiled and struggled to make the towns that are now monuments to their untiring efforts.

Many of the oldtimers have passed away since the first register was opened on the desk of the St. Elmo, but many are still among us and tell us of the days when they were guests of the house. Charles Drake, the first landlord, is now proprietor of the Drake hotel at Alliance, while Rufus Wilson

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Miss Helen Hunt visited school on Tuesday.

The gymnasium girls had their first basket ball practice Tuesday.

Mrs. Waite and Mrs. Henry visited school last Thursday afternoon.

A portion of Superintendent Bitner's normal training class visited the 5th and 6th grades last Friday morning.

Agriculture IX will now be given some lab work. Since Mr. Clark came the class can be divided and work done in the laboratory.

Katherine Curtis taught the first grade Monday and Tuesday. Miss White taught Wednesday. Miss Daddow was ill with tonsillitis.

The freshman and sophomores played a game of foot ball with the juniors and seniors last Friday at the park. The game went 12 to 6 in favor of the freshman and sophomores.

Superintendent Bitner announced that he would not grant any excuses for anyone but the team to go to Ord Friday afternoon. It interrupts school work and the boys play two games at home soon, when all students will get a chance to see them play.

The high school foot ball team plays Ord Friday at Ord. The lineup has been changed somewhat and we look forward to a good game, with a fighting chance for a victory. The boys play North Loup here the 20th. Every-body boost for the home team.

School work is going along very nicely and every student is interested in school work. We are to have examinations every six weeks and our report cards go home for signatures every six weeks instead of every nine. This gives the parents a better check on their children's work.

Ray Clark of Pawnee City, Neb., has been employed as a new high school teacher. He began work Wednesday morning. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska. His father is superintendent of schools at Pawnee City. Mr. Clark comes well recommended and strengthens the high school faculty greatly.

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