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BED BLANKET BALLOT

LARGEST LIST OF CANDIDATES
EVER SUBMITTED TO VOTERS.

INDEPENDENCE FOR PHILIPPINES

Philippine Independence Practically Assured—Bomb for Chinese Minister—Advance in Lumber Prices.

Lincoln.—Eight hundred and eighty names of candidates running for president, vice-president, presidential electors, delegates to national conventions, national committeemen, United States senator, congressmen and state officers are on the list prepared by Secretary of State Wait to be certified to county clerks for places on the ballot at the primaries April 19. This does not include any candidate for the state legislature. The ballot will be from six to eight feet in length and will be the longest ever voted at any election held in Nebraska. On this account, extra large ballot boxes may be required.

Independent Government for Islands.
Washington.—Independence of the Philippines is practically assured, so far as the house is concerned, when the insular affairs committee agreed to report the bill of Representative Jones (dem., Va.) establishing an independent government in the islands.

Try to Kill Minister.

San Francisco.—An attempt was made to assassinate Hi Sing Wing, minister of war of the new Chinese republic, according to a telegram received by the Chung Sai Yat Ho, a Chinese paper here. The dispatch said a bomb had been thrown at the minister's carriage, killing Chen Ti, one of his aides. The bomb thrower escaped.

Advance in Lumber Prices.

Little Rock, Ark.—An advance in the price of southern lumber, particularly yellow pine and cypress, is expected at any time by wholesale dealers, who maintain that recent floods in the gulf states have crippled the mills and caused a shortage in the market. How short the market is and how high the price is apt to go is not estimated, but all agree that the price will probably go up.

Breaks Snow Record at Des Moines.

Des Moines, Ia.—With a fall of 11.7 inches of snow during the night, accompanied by a driving wind from the north, all records for the Des Moines weather bureau, established in 1878, were broken here Wednesday. The total snowfall this winter has been 72 inches, over an inch more than fell in 1885-86, which was the previous record.

Escapes from Kansas Penitentiary.

Leavenworth, Kan.—William Smith, alias Brown, a former federal prisoner, who admitted that he had placed dynamite and guns in the United States prison here five months ago, has escaped from the state penitentiary at Lansing, near here, where he was serving a sentence for burglary. The dynamite and guns were intended for use in a mutiny, it is believed.

Convicts' Bodies Disposed Of.

Lancaster.—The bodies of "Shorty" Gray and John Dowd, convicts killed during the battle with a posse near Chalco, have been turned over to a medical college. Coroner Matthews took the bodies from the penitentiary to Lincoln and disposed of them. They will be used for dissection demonstrating by students.

Washington.—Congressman Henry of Texas, who has returned from the Bryan birthday banquet at Lincoln, predicts that Taft will carry Nebraska in the three-cornered fight developing between followers of Taft, Roosevelt and LaFollette and that the heads of the democratic ticket will be Wilson and Clark, Wilson being very strong in Nebraska.

Chicago, Ill.—Quick action by Fathers Luttrell and Murphy of St. Thomas' Roman Catholic church saved that edifice from total destruction by fire when crossed electric wires ignited the inflammable material behind the altar. The priests, roused by the smoke, which penetrated the parish house, first carried many sacred relics and altar property to safety, and then summoned the fire department. The church was recently finished at a cost of \$100,000. The loss is \$25,000.

Claim Iowa Convention for Cummins.

Des Moines.—Caucuses and conventions were held by republicans in half a dozen counties in Iowa Saturday and the indications are that Senator A. B. Cummins will carry the state convention by 121 delegates and that five districts will be for Taft and seven for Cummins.

Heaviest Snowfall in Its History.

Kansas City.—The deepest snow in the history of the local weather bureau fell in this vicinity Saturday, 17.8 inches being recorded at 10 p. m.

TO ABOLISH SENATE

AMBITIOUS PLAN OF MINNESOTA REPRESENTATIVE.

COAL MINERS STANDING FIRM

No Indications of Early Agreement—Will Reduce House Membership—Foundation for Closer Relations.

Washington.—The abolition of the United States senate and the office of vice president, with a reduction of the membership of the house to 300, is proposed in a resolution which Representative Lindbergh of Minnesota has announced he would introduce this week. The main feature of Mr. Lindbergh's resolution provides for the creation of a committee at large, which would have absolute control over the legislative action of congress. The members of the committee would be elected by the country at large for a term of fifteen years, and it could prevent the submission of bills to the president. This opposition could be overcome only by a two-thirds vote of the public.

For Patent Rights Legislation.

Washington.—On the motion of Senator Norris Brown, chairman of the committee on patents, the senate has ordered the opinion of the supreme court in the patent cases made a senate document. The document will include the dissenting opinion of Chief Justice White. It is the contention of the court is sound then legislation is imperative to protect the public from the abuse of patent rights. Attorney General Wickensham, under direction of President Taft, is now at work to meet the dangers which may arise under the decision of the court in the prosecutions now pending against the shoe trust and other trusts, which are in a measure protected by patents.

Will Accept No Compromise.

Cleveland, O.—Up to the present the operators and miners of the bituminous coal fields of western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois have failed to reach a wage agreement to take effect April 1 and thus prevent shutting down the mines. Both sides declare they are determined to come to a decision immediately. The miners refuse to compromise offers that they continue the present wage agreement. In reply they assert that 200,000 miners will quit on March 31 unless wage advances were granted.

Secretary Knox Promises Results.

Washington.—Secretary Knox by wireless from the cruiser Washington has advised the state department that the results which it was hoped would come from his tour of Latin America had been attained. Worldwide importance attached to the secretary's trip and while the full significance has never been officially announced, its prime purpose is said to have been to lay the foundation for closer relations between the United States and Latin America to anticipate any possible European aggression in commerce or diplomacy.

Hadley Not a Candidate.

Jefferson City, Mo.—"I am not now and will not be a candidate for vice president," said Gov. H. S. Hadley when he heard that his name had been presented for filing as a candidate for vice president in Nebraska. He dictated a letter to the secretary of state of Nebraska requesting him to refuse the petition and not place his name on the official primary ballot.

Asks Reward for Mrs. Blunt.

Arlington, Neb.—A petition is being circulated in Arlington, addressed to Governor Aldrich, requesting that the reward offered for the capture of the bandits who murdered the prison officials at Lincoln last week be paid over to Mrs. Roy Blunt, whose husband was the victim of a bullet, while they were being pursued.

Drainage Bill Provides \$25,000,000.

Washington.—Twenty-five million dollars for the drainage of the swamp and other wet lands of the United States would be appropriated by a bill which Representative Stephens of Mississippi has presented to congress.

Washington.—The house devoted an entire session to a bill liberalizing the homestead laws by reducing from five to three years the period of residence required on public land to prove title. Settlers would be permitted to absent themselves from their homesteads five months in each year. The legislation making less drastic the existing laws governing settlement has been sought for years. For the first time this session Speaker Clark took the floor and urged the passage of the bill.

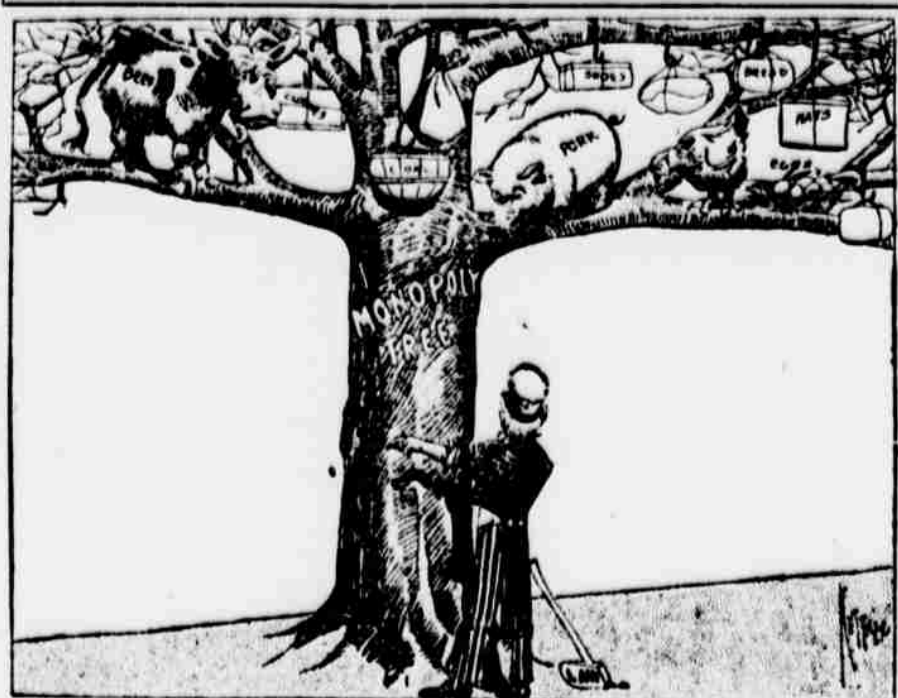
Sixty-four Bodies Recovered.

McCurain, Okla.—Official figures given out here show that the death list in the San Bois coal company disaster Wednesday is seventy. Twelve bodies were recovered Friday, making a total of sixty-four brought out.

Indiana Has Favorite Son.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Indiana democrats in convention here Wednesday, unanimously pledged the support of thirty delegates to the candidacy of Governor Thomas R. Marshall for the democratic presidential nomination.

BETTER COME DOWN



U. S. Government Starts Investigation Into High Cost of Living.—News Item.

OLD WOOL BILL RESURRECTED

DR. WILEY OPENS FIRE ON SELLERS OF "DOPE."

Vetoed Wool Measure Reintroduced in House—Drug Men Take Exceptions to Doctor's Statements—Potash Field Discovered.

Washington.—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, appearing as a private citizen before the pure food board in advocacy of a regulation guarding very strictly the use and sale of opium, morphine, cocaine and other habit-forming drugs, aroused the anger of drug representatives by referring to them as "dopers." Representatives of the drug manufacturers argued that the exception should be made in preparations containing only small proportions of opium, morphine, cocaine and the other drugs named. They held that there were so many of these preparations scattered through small drug stores all over the country that it would require years and be a heavy expense for the manufacturers to have all marked with skull and cross bones, as the regulation of the pure food board would require.

Dr. Wiley declared the manufacturer should pay whatever costs were necessary to protect the public from the drug habit.

Old Wool Bill Reintroduced.

Washington.—The democratic wool tariff revision bill, levying a 20 per cent ad valorem duty on raw wool, introduced by Democratic Leader Underwood, will be reported at once to avoid a caucus and thereby dodge trouble with the advocates of free wool. The measure is identical with that passed by the house last summer and after revision by the senate vetoed by President Taft. Regular republicans contend that the president would find excuse for vetoing the democratic bill on the ground that it does not adequately protect the revenues. The reintroduction of the bill vetoed by President Taft with the elimination of the senate amendments will be used by the democrats as the basis for an arraignment of the tariff board.

Locate a Lake of Potash.

Sacramento, Cal.—Enough potash to supply the United States probably for the next thirty years has been discovered by government scientists in Searles' lake, San Bernardino county, California. Estimates of field men of the geological survey and bureau of soils is that the deposit may amount to 4,000,000 tons, but authorities, from data in their possession, consider that estimate conservative and believe that more than 10,000,000 tons of potash is available there.

Chinese Rockefeller Pays Ransom.

Shanghai.—By paying \$100,000 to brigands, Sheng Kung Pao, known as the Chinese Rockefeller, ransomed his only son, kidnapped last week. The money was paid in time to prevent the mutilation of the boy, the bandits having written that for each day the payment of the tribute was delayed they would amputate a member and send it to the father.

Project Nipped in the Bud.

El Paso, Tex.—Recruiting for the Mexican rebel army on the American side was given a severe set-back when Luis Diaz de Leon, an officer of General Orozco's army was arrested in El Paso by Texas rangers aided by Mexican federal secret service men. It is asserted that Leon enrolled loyal Mexicans under the banner of Orozco and planned to arm them and sending a force to Oliniga, on the border, where the river patrol is not in evidence.

Milwaukee, Wis.—If all marriages were contracted in churches there would be fewer divorces.

Shanghai.—The opinion of Chief Justice Joseph G. Donnelly of the Milwaukee civil court. "There should be, first of all, parental consent," said Judge Donnelly. "Then there should be the ceremony performed by a minister in a church before the friends of both the man and the woman. There should be the ring and the wedding march and the other little touches—call them sentimental if you will—that go with the acceptance of a selected responsibility.

WOODMEN WILL NOT SECEDE

OKLAHOMA MINE DISASTER WITH SCORES OF VICTIMS.

Woodmen at Hastings Urge Head Camp to Reconsider Rates—To Investigate Secretary Knox—In North Dakota.

McCurain, Okla.—One hundred and five lives is an approximately correct estimate of the human toll taken when mine No. 2 of the San Bois coal company here was wrecked by an explosion. Of 116 men of the day shift only eleven are known to be alive, while the others are entombed behind the debris. In the opinion of government experts and mine officials they are dead, and a special train which brought physicians and nurses from Fort Smith has returned. Five physicians remained with the faint hope that some of the imprisoned men might be found alive.

Among those unaccounted for are members of a searching party, headed by W. D. Roper of Okla. S. C. Forty-three Americans were employed in the mine. The explosion occurred shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. Government mine experts have announced that hope of rescuing any of the men imprisoned had been abandoned.

Will Not Secede.

Hastings, Neb.—Nebraska Modern Woodmen who object to the recent increase in insurance rates by the head camp failed to secede or otherwise divorce themselves from the official organization when they met in convention here. Resolutions were adopted urging the officials of the order to call a special session of the head camp to reconsider the rate increase.

Investigating Secretary Knox.

Washington.—The house committee on state department expenditures is investigating rumors that Secretary of State Knox uses as a private servant Archibald S. Pinkert, a negro, carried on the state department pay rolls, and that Pinkert is accompanying Mr. Knox as a valet on the present Central American tour. Pinkert is said to have been employed by Mr. Knox when the latter was in the United States senate. The committee also inquired into the matter of defraying the expenses of the secretary's Central American trip.

Primary Result in North Dakota.

Grand Forks, N. D.—Robert M. LaFollette's majority will not be far from 15,000 when the final primary returns are received, and may be heavier. Of the total vote LaFollette has polled about 32,000 votes, while Roosevelt has polled about 18,000. The Taft vote has been about 3,000.

Lincoln, Neb.—The name of Robert G. Ross of Lexington will go upon the primary ballots as a candidate for president of the United States, despite the fact that a petition filed by that politician several weeks ago was turned down by the secretary of state. Mr. Ross appeared in person at the state house and armed with both republican and democratic petitions asked that his name be recorded.

Worries Navy Department.

Washington.—The possibilities of a coal strike are causing anxiety at the navy department, and Secretary Meyer will confer with representatives of some of the bituminous companies which supply the navy. Twenty-five foreign steamers in Hampton Roads, waiting for bunker coal, are offering \$1.50 per ton more than the navy pays. The Boston navy yard is short of coal and there is some apprehension that other yards will soon be affected.

Wage Increases in Mills.

Boston, Mass.—Wage increases aggregating more than \$10,000,000 will go into the pockets of New England textile workers during the next twelve months, according to authoritative estimates of the result of the present upward trend of wages in cotton and woolen mills. On the basis of an annual pay roll of \$79,000,000 in the woolen mills, the increase there will amount to \$5,600,000, while cotton mill operatives will receive an advance of \$5,000,000.

BRIEF NEWS OF NEBRASKA

The proposition to adopt the commission form of government for Grand Island was defeated.

C. F. Shaw, for twenty-five years a prominent citizen of Norfolk, fell dead while shoveling snow.

D. W. Hayes of Peru was elected secretary of the Normal School Presidents' association in its session at Chicago.

Mrs. Ernest Hunger, wife of Chief of Police Hunger of Lincoln, is dead at her home in that city. She was born in England in 1843.

At the Cambridge high school declamatory contest, Ethelyn Druse was awarded first honors, Albert Cecil, second and Joe Selby third.

Word has reached Fairbury that John Friesen, formerly of that place, recently committed suicide in Denver by drinking a quantity of carbolic acid.

No stock loss has been reported as a result of the recent storm, nor were there any trains into Burwell for two days and mail routes have all been tied up.

Several ministers from the surrounding counties met in Peru and formed an association to be known as the Ministerial Association of Southeast Nebraska.

The recently organized mothers' club of Wymore will establish a rest room down town. Popular subscriptions are depended on to furnish the necessary funds.

The first mail received at Syracuse since Wednesday was brought in from the east Saturday afternoon after a snow plow had opened the track on the line of the Burlington.

Ice gorges in Salt and Wahoo creeks in the vicinity of Ashland augmented by the onrush of waters from the melted snows have caused flooded conditions in that neighborhood.

The stockholders of the United Evangelical conference assembled in Kearney have decided to sell the Cameron camp grounds near Grand Island, the value being placed at \$4,000.

Joseph Hamilton, for fourteen years county judge in Boone county, and at one time a member of the Wisconsin legislature, is dead at his residence in Albion of pneumonia, at the age of eighty-five.

Grant Mears, sheriff for ten years in Wayne county, who retired voluntarily last fall, has filed for the republican nomination for the office of representative in the lower house of the legislature.

J. Jerabek of Sterling has located a brother he had not seen for twenty-two years and who he thought dead. Mr. Jerabek found his brother in business in St. Joseph and he left for there at once.

Miss Lola LaFollette, daughter of Senator Robert M. LaFollette, will appear at the Oliver theater in Lincoln, Wednesday, March 27, in an original lecture on "The Democracy of Woman Suffrage."

William Ernst of Tecumseh, who is said to be the first man in Nebraska to sound the warning as to the condition of seed corn, says there is a sufficient amount of seed corn in this state to supply the farmers for this season.

At a meeting of the Sterling school board, Superintendent O. P. Stewart and Principal Miss Shively of Lincoln were re-elected for the ensuing term. This will make Professor Stewart's fourth year as superintendent of Sterling schools.

Considerable interest is beginning to be shown in regard to the coming municipal election at Hebron. The liquor question will be disposed of by a referendum vote, but indications are that both the "wets" and "drys" will have a full ticket in the field.

In the declamatory contest of the Kearney high school, De Witt Foster a ward of Bishop George A. Beecher won first place in a splendid oratorical production and will represent the school in the central Nebraska declamatory contest at Aurora, March 29.

The York city mail carriers, according to the figures of Postmaster Shreck, last week carried 3,343 pounds of mail, or 28,071 pieces, stopping 10,763 times to deliver mail, and traveled 456 1/2 miles. The five carriers averaged fifteen and one-third miles per day during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stahl celebrated their fiftieth marriage anniversary at their home in Nebraska City assisted by the members of their family and numerous friends. The couple were married at Brunswick, Mo., March 19, 1862, and came to that place shortly afterward.

When Ralph Scott of Lincoln returned home for lunch Saturday he found no one at home, and thinking it strange, started in to search for his mother, who usually awaited him. Having searched the house, he went into the cellar and found his mother lying dead at the foot and a little to one side of the steps. He immediately notified the coroner, who conducted an investigation and concluded that death was due to a fractured skull, caused by a fall in descending the steps.

The Otgo Democratic club has postponed its fourth annual banquet to Tuesday, March 28.

There were 1,441,860 eggs shipped from Syracuse last year, thirty dozen to a case, making 4,995 cases; live poultry, 123,335 pounds; 34,888 gallons of cream, 581 head of horses, 7,095 hogs and 1,346 cattle.

Nearly all of the Sterling people have taken down their base-burners, as there is a famine in hard coal. Coal can only be had at one neighboring town, but as the roads have been almost impassable no one can be found to haul the coal.

Even a wise man never gets over being a fool to a certain extent.

There is no excuse for the dyspeptic, with Garfield Tea accessible at every drugstore.

Measure the depth of the water before making your dive.

Poverty does not destroy virtue, nor does wealth bestow it.—Yriarte.

All Fresco. "Why does that old maid use so much paint on her face?" "She's making up for lost time."

Appeal. Stella—What is the matter? Cholly—I wish you'd tell your father he's gotta quit kickin' me aroun'.—New York Sun.

His Business. "That man indulges in shocking language." "Influence of his trade. He's a telegraph lineman."

Also With Gloves. Assistant Editor—Here's a farmer writes us asking how to treat sick bees. Editor—Tell him he'd better treat them with respect.

No End to His Bad Luck. John D. Shoop, at an Anti-Cigarette league banquet, explained his feelings in the story of the colored man.

"How are you getting along, Lazarus?" asked his master, interestedly. "I gets along poorly," replied Lazarus, who complained of his misfortune at length. "Master John, I has such bad luck," says he, "that when I dies and is laid away in the tomb and the good Lord says to me, 'Lazarus, come forth,' I know I is sho' to come fith."