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Germany does not like our new tariff laws. Strange!

The loss of life by flood at Monterey, Mexico, and adjacent communities, is placed at 1,200, and the property loss at \$30,000,000.

When you go to the polls don't forget that we need a coroner, and that Dr. George W. Reneker has had the experience and would enjoy sitting over the remains of the democracy this fall.

The Union Pacific railway is to establish a railway school at Omaha, the same to be known as a "bureau of information." We always have contended that railroad people had a few things yet to learn.

Of course it was an American who plucked the greatest honors at Rheims in the contest between the aviators of various nations—Glen H. Curtiss. He made his opponents look like "selling plasters," passing the best of them at the three-quarters.

All three of the nominees for supreme judge on the republican ticket, Judges Sedwick, Barnes and Fawcett, have had experience on the supreme bench, as well as on the district bench, and the ticket is considered a strong one by democrats and republicans alike.

The stricken city of Monterey, Mexico, is to be aided by the United States in a substantial manner. The world is getting better all the time. There was a time when American soldiers thirsted for the blood of the people of Monterey; today we sympathize with their people and tender them aid in their time of need.

Edward H. Harriman says that he is all right, and would like to be left alone. And it does look as if a sick man ought to be allowed the privilege of rest and seclusion if he so desires. This thing of being a great railway magnate and having a whole nation listening for the death rattle in the throat is not so pleasant, after all.

A. D. Sargent, candidate for superintendent of schools, is a young man who has spent years in fitting himself for school work. He has kept himself abreast with advanced methods of education and would put the energy of a young life into the work. The voters of the county can make no mistake by placing Mr. Sargent at the head of the county schools.

Corn sold in 1896 at forty-eight cts. a bushel, and wheat at seventy-two cents, whereas in 1908 the prices of these staples were seventy-five and ninety-seven cents respectively. Mess pork, which sold at \$11.75 and mess beef at \$11.00 in 1896, sold at \$17 and \$14.50 respectively in 1908, and at \$22 and \$14 respectively in June last. It is a good thing to keep these prices of important commodities fresh in the mind.

In the National Forests of the southwest, stockmen have suffered a serious loss through the cattle eating oak leaves, grass being extremely short there this season. It seems the oak leaves and sprouts contain a large percentage of tannic acid, and that tannic acid raises a commotion in the stomach of the bovine that is beyond the skill of the cow doctor. Tannic acid! Where have we heard that word before?

W. P. Fergus has been before the public eye long enough in this county to establish for himself a reputation as a splendid public official. His service as sheriff several years ago and later chief of police in this city, proved that he was a careful, fearless officer. As a clean man both in public and private life, he has no superiors. If you are looking for the very best men in the county for places of public trust, Mr. Fergus is one of them.

The Burlington road during the fiscal year, carried approximately twenty million passengers without killing one. This remarkable record was not equalled, so far as known through any official announcement, by but one other road, the Pennsylvania. The fiscal year closed June 30, 1909, but the figures are not yet complete. The number of accidents also was remarkably small, all of which is attributed to better discipline among the employes and the installation of

block signals and other safety devices and the improved methods of track and bridge construction and maintenance. During 1908 the Burlington carried a total of 19,214,400 passengers.

To the man who has an impure product to dispose of, the law looking to the suppression of traffic therein, seems arbitrary and unfair—the law always looks that way to an offender. All that is necessary in order to see the justice of the law is to adjust yourself to it—get in line with it—stop handling rotten eggs, wormy prunes, fly-specked and shelf-worn breakfast foods, etc. The law is all right—the man who grumbles at it is all wrong.

R. W. Daggert of Salem is the choice of the republican party for county clerk. He is qualified for the position and not tagged as a chronic office seeker; in fact his friends at Salem forced this move in lieu of his misfortune in losing a limb, that befell him a year ago. To know Roy Daggert is to assist him to the office his home precinct asks for him, well knowing his qualifications and manly principles. They are for Daggert, regardless of politics.

Our friend George Reichers, who will be the next county treasurer, is certainly fitted for the place. As deputy under Martin Zook, he did valiant work on delinquent and professional tax dodgers. He made this county more money in looking up back taxes than any man we ever had in office and proved himself an expert along that line. He has done clerical work all his life and is in every particular qualified for this position of trust.

Frank Boss, the republican candidate for register of deeds, is a young man who has been a faithful worker in the ranks ever since he gained his majority. His qualifications for the office are beyond question. He is a genial, affable young man, who is always ready to do a good turn where occasion requires. A vote for this gentleman would not only be a reward of merit for his loyalty as a worker in the ranks, but would be a credit to the party should they elect him to the office.

There is not a voter in Richardson county who will question Judge Scott's fitness, and thorough knowledge of the requirements of county judge. There is not a man in the county who would give the duties of that office more careful and painstaking attention than Judge Scott. There is not a man in the county who is as free from political bossism as Judge Scott. Is not this the class of officials the voters of today are looking for? The man who is chained and gagged by a political boss is a most undesirable official, especially upon the bench.

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Is Our Land too High?

This isn't a real estate advertisement, neither is it a boost. Rather, it is the recital of one of the lessons learned from a journey of more than five thousand miles over the agricultural lands of eight western states.

For several years Richardson county farm lands have been increasing in value with amazing rapidity, until the statement that "land is too high" has become a phrase of constant repetition. The fact is that Richardson county land is today among the cheapest lands in the United States.

The experience of every land owner in the county was tersely and truthfully expressed by Mr. James L. Sloenn, when he said:

"I have never bought Richardson county land without making money, and I have never sold it without losing money."

This experience will be repeated for the next ten years as often and as fully as it has occurred in the past.

I saw the famous wheat lands of California that have been so often featured in the press. These lands lie in the valleys of the mountains largely, and their golden fields with the picturesque surroundings make them beautiful to look upon. You cannot buy this land for less than \$250.00 per acre.

Yet nothing but wheat can be raised upon them because of climatic conditions. Ten years ago forty bushels of wheat to the acre was a good crop; today, because of the constant succession of wheat crops, twenty and twenty-five bushels are called good crops. The land is dying as agricultural land and the day of the commercial fertilizer has come to pass.

The little clover plant that puts its tiny hands into the air and draws therefrom the nitrogen and stores it in the soil to renew its fertility and preserve its productiveness for the children of other generations will not grow there; neither will corn, nor alfalfa, nor the numerous other remunerative crops that we see in old Richardson upon every hillside.

Who would consider paying \$250.00 an acre for a Richardson county farm so crop worn as to require commercial fertilizer and that would not raise corn, nor clover, nor alfalfa?

When I saw such land selling at this price and thought of our wonderfully productive and versatile soil, and knew that in the natural course of events our farms will be productive long after the California lands are as dead as a New England farm, I commenced to change my ideas concerning the oft repeated statement that our land is too high.

I saw the wonderful fruit and melon lands of Colorado. I saw the peach orchards at Pallasades and the apples at Grand Junction. I have seen as fine apples from the hills of Barada, as I saw at Grand Junction. But I saw fruit farms at Grand Junction that I have never seen at home.

I saw orchards that have been sprayed ten times this year. I saw orchards cultivated as they cultivate the orange groves in southern California, as barren of weeds and plant growth as is Stone street in Falls City. I saw apples packed, not in barrels, bless you, but in small boxes, with each apple wrapped in oil paper and each box billed for London, England. And I saw a ten acre orchard that sold this spring for FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS an acre.

I thought of the time when we will come to know our own land and to learn how generous she can be if we but give her the chance. I saw the time when the orchards will cover the bluffs of the Missouri to our north. I saw the intelligence and labor of man applied to these lands as I saw it done at Grand Junction, and I changed my mind about the oft repeated statement that our land is too high.

And then I saw the people. I saw them at the 4th of July celebrations as we sped across New Mexico; I saw them by thousands upon thousands at the Elks convention at Los Angeles; I saw them by train and steam ship loads as they sped northward towards the exposition at Seattle; I saw them at the resorts in Nevada, Utah and Colorado; and I thought of a mighty nation, which, by emigration and natural increase, is filling up with human souls at the rate of millions a year. And the question occurred to me, who will feed them as the years go by?

I knew of new wheat countries being opened up in the Dakotas, the Provinces of Canada and the great northwest. I knew that great irrigation projects were being financed to settle this mighty problem of furnishing food for the children of men, but I also knew that while new wheat countries were being opened

up, and great irrigation projects were being successfully promoted, the great corn belt was limited by climate; that God Almighty had said to the corn farmer, "Thus far, but no farther."

I saw in all this a demand for corn that would constantly increase while the supply must of necessity remain practically stationary. What the demand exceeds the supply, is a question easily answered; and what will happen to the price of corn when will happen to the price of corn land with its crop growing more valuable with each passing year, was so apparent to my mind that I changed my idea about the oft repeated statement, that our land is too high.

When we boarded the Pullman at Denver for home we met Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Cooper of Humboldt, who were returning from Seattle, the National Park and the northwest. Their travels had taken them through states that we had not entered, so we compared notes.

"I left home thinking our land was selling too high," said Mr. Cooper, "but I return impressed with the fact that it isn't high enough."

And then he told me of his experiences in the northwest that were similar to those related here.

Our parties drifted to the rear platform of the observation car and we watched the country as it flowed swiftly past us. It was evening, and we were nearing Nebraska. The rails stretched toward the golden west until the lines met in the far distance. The night wind was rising and we were all quiet and thinking of home, for folks always grow quiet and think of home when the darkness gathers and the night winds rise.

"Benkeleman," called the brakeman, and the brakes ground on the wheels and the train's speed slackened and stopped.

"We are in Nebraska, the best state in the Union," said Cooper, "and," he continued, "if I had a hundred thousand dollars in idle money I would put every cent of it in Richardson county land at its present price, wouldn't you?"

A hundred thousand was a tidy little sum, and I didn't want to spend it for a minute anyway, but I finally replied:

"No, but I would invest ninety-nine thousand of it in that way, and then I would spend the other thousand traveling around and looking at the other fellow's land, so that when the journey was over and I had grown tired, I could turn my face homeward with a broader and better appreciation of 'my own land.'"

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